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CONSERVATIVE LEADERSHIP. e Conservatives are having some dif-

late has not been developing great men btaining new recruits of ability. The man ho stood next to Sir Charles Tupper in the thee of Commons and who pre-sumably enjoyed the most of his confidende, was Mr. George E. Foster, and he undoubtedly would stand in a very favorable position for the leadership if he were in parliament and were better liked by his associates on the opposition side of the house. But Mr. Foster has no seat obtain one under any circumstances until a

the disadvantage of not being well liked. The same qualities which have made him umpopular among his associates and among the people generally, and while he is regarded as the best speaker on the Conservative side of the house, his lack of amiability and ease tells heavily against him. If Mr. Foster were more popular there would be no question with regard

It shows how hardly pressed the Conservatives are to find a man when they are talking of Mr. Monk, of Jacques Cartier, Mr. Borden, of Halifax, and even of Sir Mackenzie Bowell as possible leaders. Sir Mackenzie Bowell was never a man of great ability, and he is now too old for encoessful leadership, besides not have of leading, or have they any policy which ing a scat in the House of Commons. As is likely to commend itself to the people. for Mr. Borden, of Halifax, and Mr. Monk, neither of these men has shown any quality of leadership. While they may be useful as subordinates, it would be abound to place them at the head of a great party which may some time, in the very distant future, come into power.

CONSERVATIVE PROSPECTS.

Noster is not put forward more strongly A. Macdonald, who probably understood to benefit by racial difficulties, will have field of battle. to pass through the valley of humiliation, before it can expect to again win the confidence of the people. This country is not to be ruled by incendiaries, no matter harmony should be the watchword of the party who aspire to win and attain the plainly and take special pains with confidence of the people of Canada.

THE MONTICELLO.

gent for the Daily and that she was overloaded and that her province of Quebec gave him a majority of 11 and so enabled him to keep in he Monticello. Whether as a result of government. a leak, or from the waves which poured on her main deck her hull became filled with water, her fires were put out, and by in finding a suitable leader for their she sunk. No doubt the inquiry which is arty now that Sir Charles Tupper has to be held on her loss will elucidate many taken next year should show Canada with things which now appear to be obscure a population approaching six millions. It oe confessed that they have no great in regard to this disaster. The captain intended only to go as far as Digby; why nder any circumstances would be fit for did he change his mind and undertake to and an all round degree of progress who was on board, may be able to throw

ome light on the matter.

THE LIBERAL MAJORITY. Until the recounts are all over it will be impossible to tell just what the Liberal majority in the House of Commons is. in the House of Commons and he cannot that it will be in the vicinity of fifty, probably something more, and possibly one or two less, a majority which is quite elections when they take place. Thus it in a most emphatic fashion. They have told the Conservative leaders plainly enough that they did not need their services, and that until the Conservative party is reorganized and comes forward with some better policy than slander and abuse, they cannot expect to carry the country. It looks indeed as if the Con- year 1891. servative party would be reduced to an utterly contemptible condition, because they have neither leaders nor men capable

OUR CANADIAN SOLDIERS.

The praise bestowed upon the first consays that there are no more gallant troops in the world. This is the view of a man who was with them for months and who saw them under all conditions of service. When it is remembered that the first contingent had to be got together in a hurry, strong, but Mr. Foster has been in the he present time are extremely gloomy. When it is remembered that the first contingent had to be got together in a hurry, strong, but Mr. Foster has been in the

to be altogether out of touch with the and that some of the men in it had very habit of using enteremely strong language people. The desperate attempt to raise little training, it is remarkable how quick in regard to his political opponents, and the race assue against the government has ly the regiment became efficient. No doubt there is no doubt that he has injured himthe intelligence of the men counted for a solf greatly by this course of conduct. We good deal, as it always must in war, be- think that there is no paper published in cause most of the men of the Royal Can- Canada that is more in need of a change adians were of a high grade, well educated, of its journalistic methods than the Sur highly intelligent and full of resources. itself, especially in the matter of person himself comfortable. The British soldiers are less resourceful than men who live under the conditions of life in Canada, where sought to take advantage of the race cry, men have to do many things for themselves and that it was used for his benefit in which, in older countries, would be done the province of New Brunswick. No Con- for them by others. The physique of the party, never made any secret of his de- leaders. We trust, however, that the aptipendence on the province of Quebec for tude of Canadians as soldiers will not have on the Conservative side. It is notorious support. For several years after confeder- the effect of making our people too fond that the Conservative party in times past ation his right hand man was a French of military service. We should be able to has been greatly indebted to the liquor in member from the province of Quebec, defend our country and assist in the de-Sir George E. Cartier, and the union of | fence of the Empire, but beyond that we any political event could be. Now the and the triumphs of peace are greater than Conservative party, which has endeavored any military glory that can be won on the

CONCERNING MAJORITIES.

to what church they belong. Peace and gave a very large majority to the governclaiming that he depends upon the province of Quebec for his support. To hear these people talk it might be supposed that the people of Quebec had no right government of this country, and that it against her unseaworthiness may the first house elected after confederation, well founded, although the fact Sir John A. Macdonald's government had that she is now at the bottom of the Bay a majority of only 22, but his majority posed to prohibition. The Liberal party of Fundy is certainly very conclusive evil in the province of Quebec was 25, so that dence that something was the matter, without the support of that province his she was managed. If the vessel was as the house elected in 1872, Sir John A. staunch and strong as is stated, the mis- Macdonald had a majority of only six. mangement which led to the disaster He was in a minority of 12 in Ontario, must have been very great. It is said and of two in New Brunswick, but the the captain took a great risk when he left office until the Pacific scandal overwhelmthis port in the face of storm signals ed him. In the parliament which was which showed that there would be a cledted in 1878 the province of Quebec severe gale on the coast. Vessels of the gave Sir John A. Macdonald a majority type of the Monticello, however strong they may be, are not suited to withstand the fury of a gale. They carry too much top hamper, and their superstructure of wood is liable to be broken by the waves never objected to by the Conservative and the hull flooded with water. In such a case it is difficult to keep the vessel affoat, because the water will pour the support of Quebec in times past, deinto her hold in spite of the best efforts claring that the province of Quebec has to prevent it. This is what happened to no right to sive its support to a Liberal

THE CENSUS.

The dominion census which is to be to be held on her loss will elucidate many taken next year should show Canada with manufacturing industries of the country, violent gale? Possibly Captain Smith, good Canadians. With respect to the province of New Brunswick we have no doubt | decency. that the census will show a much more favorable result than was the case in 1891. The census of that year for the first time showed that New Brunswick stood still between 1881 and 1891, the actual increase of population being only 31 pering in many ways. It was a severe financial loss to the province, because until the number of 400,000 is reached the province receives annually from the dominion government a subsidy of 80 cents a head. If sufficient and indeed more than sufficient the population had increased between advantage, because the leader of the which were discuss the which were discussed the or February. This is a considerable dis- for all practical purposes. It may be that 1881 and 1891 to the extent that was exthe session, prepared to take the lead of cleeted by the narrowest of majorities. When the session is a like the lead of cleeted by the narrowest of majorities. When the session is a like the lead of cleeted by the narrowest of majorities. his party. Mr. Foster also suffers from The matter is not one of very great im- say would have made the financial condiportance, because with a majority of fifty tion of the province easy in companison ion that the Conservative party is a very the government is strong enough, and is with what it has been If the natural in- dead duck indeed, and it does not pro- tragedy. unpopular in St. John have made him likely to be stronger as the result of bywill be seen that the people have answercd Sir Wilfrid Laurier's appeal to them in a most complatic fashion. They have Large numbers of persons have left the province during the past ten years, but many have returned, and probably it will be found that New Brunswick has 360,-000 inhabitants when the census of New Brunswick is taken next year, an increase

NEWSPAPER MANNERS.

The Sun undertakes to lecture the Haliporary in regard to the Montreal Star and Mr. George E. Foster. We are of the tingent, the Royal Canadians, by General opinion that the Star is very properly mith-Dorrien, who commanded them, will change enized as a disreputable sheet, for be gratifying to the people of Canada. He centerinty its manner of conducting the

when Mr. George E. Foster had a com is not as much involved in the liquor in-

The Sun is engaged in making charges against the government in connection with the past four years. Yet we fail to see that it has advanced the interests of its party by this course of conduct. The truth of the matetr is that the people of Canada are weary of that kind of thing. The late campaign against the governthey became weary of the constant reiter-

about 20 per cent, of the population every is wise on the part of the Star, although

the two races was as fully recognized as should not go. Peace is better than war, in the province of Ontario. Where the

ment was merely a campaign of slander. ed, for persons who do not like the laws himself most appreciative in his references Everybody was charged with being a of a church can easily leave it, and go to the soldiers which Canada sent to ning. In selecting such a vessel the first "thief," a "robber," a "boodler" or with being connected in trying to defeat the wishes of the people by means of false divorce. ballots. The people heard all this until ation of charges which were never proved, charges made by the Conservative papers aginst the Liberal party, and it would those journals to adopt a different policy

Star has dropped the Conservative party Botha's command again, should be more is exciting the ridicule of its contempor- severely punished. aries. On the day after the election it had a brief editoral referring to the re- A week ago today the steamer Monti-

of the right of divorced persons to re- their homes. of the church and excommunication. As by the colonial secretary, the Right Honof Canada recognizes the right of persons legally divorced to marry again, it is not likely that any action the Protestant

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to some other communion which is less South Africa. Lord Roberts has said condition should be that she is staunch strict in the matter of marriage and

It is to be hoped that the news that General Botha has made a proposal to surrender is true, because the present proposed terms, but these terms are not named. The only terms that should be der. Those burghers who have not altheir arms and taking the oath of allegiance, while those who had surrendered The manner in which the Montreal and taken the oath and then joined

been published in a Liberal journal, so and spirits, and unconscious of any immore powerful than the story of this ners.

way of the world, but not the way of a Kitchener, who will not be restrained by high-toned journal. If the Conservative any weak feelings of regard for the men party was good enough to fight for before who are in the field fighting for the two school is upwards of seven thousand. Still, its defeat, it ought to be good enough to extinct republics. Such a war as is now The canons on marriage and divorce, will be done better by the local forces, which have been drafted by the committee which are to be raised for the purpose of keeping South Africa quiet. In a short ence of that body, and which we publish- that country, and all our young Canadians, ed yestenday, may or may not become law. except those who have concluded to remain in South Africa, will have returned to

Company of London. It will be observed fill it. that Mr. Chamberlain deals largely with

many kind things about the Canadian and safe. contingents, and the people of Canada will not be slow in proving to him that they

appreciate his well-timed compliments. The statement made by Sir Robert Hartt and they ended the matter by voting the guerilla warfare in South Africa is not that the legations in Pekin would have present government into power. It is calculated to advance the interests of any been in no danger if it had not been for vident that the people do not believe the person. General Botha is said to have the attack on the Taku forts will attract a in it which most Presbyterians do not subwide degree of attention, and will be liable to cause people to believe that the be the part of wisdom on the part of granted to him are unconditional surren- Chinese business has been woefully mismanaged. Sir Robert Hartt makes this If the report be true that the sum of did he change his mind and undertake to and an air round degree of progress and are ready surrendered could then be allowed statement in an article which he has write specific and an air round degree of progress and are round degree of progres ity on such a subject ought to be conclusive, because he has resided in China for forty years, and knows the country and Tammany system, and has been highly sucthe people better than any other living cessful in the hands of that organization,

We are hearing a good deal about threatsult, which was couched in the mildest cello sailed from this harbor with about ened election protests in these days, one possible language, and which might have forty persons on board, in good health of those which we are promised being from contested the county of York. The Libnot a word to say on the subject of the legislation. It is a legislation of the legislati election. It is devoting its attention to lence of the waves in the wreck of that that not a single election conducted by the matters of an entirely different character unfortunate vessel. This tragedy, which Conservatives in the province of New pected, New Brunswick would have received between \$300,000 and \$400,000 of ed in its columns so frequentparty, whoever he is to be, should be in the reduce the number of Conservatives whoever he is to be, should be in the House of Commons on the first day of in the House, some of whom have been additional revenue during the past ten the House of Commons on the first day of in the House, some of whom have been additional revenue during the past ten the November. The of life. No preacher, however eloquent, be quite sincere in his belief, but while he could deliver a sermon on this subject is a good man himself he has wicked part-

> Boers who are practicing guerilla tactics is John is the largest on record would seem being conducted with much vigor by Lord to indicate that the population of this extinct republics. Such a war as is now there are children who do not attend going on is really more of the nature of school, and who ought to be looked after. police work than a military operation, and With free education at his door no person is justified in allowing his children to renain away from school.

Mr. Brodeur, who is to be the next speaker in the House of Commons, is the member for Rouville, which he has repreof the church and excommunication. As the law of the United States as well as of Canada recognizes the right of persons of the church and excommunication. As the dimer public business that it is well a man has public business that it is well a man has public business that it is well a man has public business that it is well a man has public business that it is well a man has present of the dispersion of the speaker for the despect of the Warden and members of the Fishmongers' proved himself thoroughly competent to

nereased, while the Monticello was run-

The New York Presbytery has decided Creed, but the result was only obtained who are in favor of a revision. The an-

out we should regret to see it introduced

There is no journal in Canada that has aken the defeat of its party with such an M grace as the Toronto World. Mr. Mac-Lean ought to restrain the impauosity has been fought and won, it seems useless to resort to abuse of the victors.

New York, Nov. 14-It is announced tonight that the Society for the Suppression of Vice, of which Anthony Comstock is the head, will soon begin the most extensive raid of pool rooms and gambling dens ever undertaking in this city. been under way for some time and Mr.

Chance for an Architect.

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