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SATURDAY MORNING, JULY 19, 1884. The Northern and Pacific Junction Railway—The Contract Let.

We understand that at a meeting of the

directors of the Northern and Pacific Junction, held at the Northern offices here yes terday afternoon, the contract for this important work was let to Messrs. Symmes, give all western Ontario a convenient and term yankee was a corrupt pronunciation by measure, or piece work, the railway etains the power to change the ocation of the line as engineering and other important considerations may suggest. A fixed price is to be paid the conractors for so much by measure of this kind of work, and so much by measure for another kind of work, and so on. The real cost of construction work of all kinds ada being by this time pretty well nownito railway men, contractors, and the engineering profession, the chances of er large gains or ruinous loss to the contractors are very much less than under the hap hazard plan of undertaking the whole mileage for a lump sum. And it may be added that the chances of getting a solid, well-constructed road are very

Mr. Symmes is an experienced contractor, and, along with Dr. Ferguson, M.P., of Niagara, has during the last ter the Welland canal. Just now he is fresh Mr. Blake and the party. We know, how-from the completion of a hundred mile ever, that Mr. Edgar is a director of the railway contract in the western states, and is prepared to "walk in" on the new contract with all despatch. He is joined by Mr. Dawson, who has also been a member of the same firm. Associated with them in Mr. James Hendrie, sons of Mr. William Hendrie of Hamilton. The brothers Hendrie, too, have a contract just finished; on the Ontario and Quebec line, and are also ready to go on the new work immediately. We are informed that the competition in tendering was very close, and that all the bids were most carefully considered by the board, with the result that the contract was by unanimous decision awarded to the parties named. In experience, energy, and command of capi tal the team is altogether a very strong one, and will doubtless prove quite

to northern Ontario and the whole of the Ontario peninsula, is at last under contract and in efficient hands. The citizens of Toronto and Hamilton have special good reason for rejoicing in the prospect of the early completion of this valuable and much desired connection. And we may fairly anticipate that two years hence it fairly anticipate that two years hence it will no longer be a "missing link," but a link completed and doing a heavy traffic, the benefit both of Ontovic and of the to the benefit both of Ontario and of the great Northwest.

The bribery commission has been adjourned until September. Four of the alleged conspirators, Bunting, Wilkinson, Shields and Stimson, find it convenient to be cost of the series of the The Bribery Commission. be out of the way when their evidence is wanted. Nothing can be more damning and Mr. Mackenzie secured the nominato their innocence than this-if we can tion. accept the Mail editorials which are sufficient of their own account to brand those for whose defence they are intended.

out of the way in summoning two members of the dominion government. The questions asked them were merely fishing ones which elicited nothing. No ground was disclosed for subpæning the ministers; without some such ground regard for their office and their trust ought to have left them alone.

The Ontario and Quebec will be opened to Ottawa on a week from Monday. The authorities are now busy preparing the time eard. For some days accommodation trains have been running as far east as Norwood, and have been well patronized, but a week from Monday will see through trains from Chicago to Montreal by the Credit Valley and the Outario and Quebec

The West Durham News speaks well of Torontols semi-centennial and sava it wante to see the Ontario government put

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To the Editor of The World.
SIR: Dr. Canniff, himself unwell, has I presume, a deputy to assist him. If not, one ought at once to be appointed, for the lives of the citizens are too precious to be sacrified by red tape. I would call attention to an open cesspool in rear of Scholes' hotel, corner Queen and Dundas streets, and to the covered ones all up the row north, each giving out a noxious effluvium. They evidently never have been cleaned since made. The city is now so large that a commissioner for the west and another for the east—Yonge street the dividing line—should be appointed, particularly as it is an open secret that Mr. Coatsworth notoriously favors the east, his interests lying in that part.

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Who are Americans?

To the Editor of The World. SIR: In your issue of to-day appears letter from Old Resident. In his effort to onceal his inward antipathy to the yankee Dawson, Hendrie & Co. The missing link he makes it more prominent. Perhaps between Gravenhurst and Callendar, to he was better read he would know that the direct connection with the main line of the Canadian Pacific, is to be finished by the first of May, 1886, a little less than two years hence. The distance is put down at life miles, with, however, the contingency of more or less as may hereafter be deemed advisable. As the contract is not let for a lump sum, but by measure, or piece work, the railway why object to the word Canadian? To a why object to the word Canadian? To a citizen of Canada it certainly belongs, or how else would he be designated? If he were abroad and asserted that he were an American, he would have to qualify that he was from Canada. Would a citizen of Toronto take exception, when traveling in other parts of the dominion, at being called a Torontonian? The principle would be the same. A Frenchman might as well repudiate the appellation, and say that he was a European.

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To the Editor of The World. SIR: As an elector of West Ontario, write to thank you for the manly star you have taken in defence of true liberal principles by opposing the attempt of the Toronto "machine" to foist J. D. Edgar upon this unwilling constituency. It is true the Globe tells us that he (Mr. Edgar) "is a very able man" and a "great organizer," and that his services at Ottawacould he get there-would be invaluable to Globe. It is not, therefore, surprising (as nobody has ever charged him with being a modest man) that Mr. Edgar in the Globe should not only have a good opinion of Mr. Edgar out of the Globe, but that he should act are Mr. John Hendrie and also use the columns of his own paper to terested witness we most respectfully decline to accept his own estimate of himself. Let us briefly examine his public record and see how for his claim to the title of "Great Grganizer" is borne out by the facts. In 1871 he received the reform nomination for the local house in the electorial district of Monck. He organized the riding, fought bled and was defeated. In 1872 he contested the same constituency for the house of commons and was elected by a small majority. In January, 1874, he again contested Monck, and though aided by the Pacific scandal cry, and his abilities as an organizer, was a second time defeated. In April of the same year, he ran for the grand old reform terested witness we most respectfully deone, and will doubtless prove quite able for the task undertaken. Good security for performance of contract is an important consideration, and the securities furnished in the present case are first class, Dr. Ferguson being one of them. The Messrs. Hendrie, in their share of the responsibility, will have the financial backing of their father, Mr. William Hendrie. The comparatively short time given renders the undertaking all the more arduous, and makes financial strength on the part of the contractors all the more necessary.

It is a matter for congratulation that the work of the Gravenhurst and Callendar link, a connection of such vast importance to northern Ontario and the whole of the

that ordinary mortals succeed where the "great organizer" fails. If further evidence were required on this point we need only refer to Mr. Edgar's attempt to

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In diplomacy Mr. Edgar appears to have been just about as successful as he was at organization. In 1874 Mr. Mackenzie sent him on a mission to conciliate British Columbia. In less than four months he sucout of the way in summoning two mem-ceeded in arraying that province solidly against the government! It appears to AN ELECTOR OF WEST ONTARIO.

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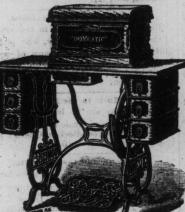
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