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Editor Cohoconk Irradiator West Toronto is at present the scene of a bitter and fierce election contest between Moss and Bickford. Mostings are nightly held in the Division, at which the rival candidates and their sup-porters appeal to the honest, intelligent, and industrious electors for their votes. There is one thing that always strikes m

as angular about these election speeches and manifestoes.

Why doesn't some candidale ask the suffrages of the dishonest, stupid, deprayed, and ille electors?

Why is this important interest continually left unrepresented?

I give it up. I don't see how candidates can be so blind to their interests as to leave such a large proportion of the votes unsolinities.

A wilmington clergy man lately a piece of brown paper in an arkanasa new fice. That kind are not numerous. The great majority of electors are dependent on some body or other, and vote as they are told; and yet nebody ever seems to think it worth while to appeal to this important element.

I have been hard at work in the interim and St. Patrick's Ward.

There are peculiar features about this contest which sounce fail to redound to our advantage.

In the first place we have the Government on our side, and the influence of all the office-holders and office-seekers is strong for Moss.

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was strongly in sympathy with the working-inan, didn't seem to rouse their indignation in the least. Finally I approached one of them and said, "You fellows sunt working for your least armount of the said, "You fellows sunt working for your

pay. Why don't you yell?

"Yell, is it," said one, "an' how the divil end a man yell on cowid lemonade an such trash. Sorra the drap av fwiakey ould Nixon ud give us.

He's a timperance past owner, bad cess to him." man, bad cess to him."

It was a great mistake to put Nixonin such a position. He don't understand human nature.

We have been at the same kind of work all week—breaking up Bickford ameetings and manifesting the just indiguation of the workingman at the course of Bickford.

We are popularly known as "BICKT'S LAMES."

"BICKT'S LAMES." Dickey had some little lambs At least folks called them so, And everywhere that Dickey went, These lambs were bound to go.

So the peelers turned them out; But still they lingered near, And waited patienly about, Till Tories did appear. And then to one of them they'd go, As if in sportive whim, And knock the cuss down in the snow, Or put a head on him. "What makes the lambs for Tories go?" Surprised, the people cry,"
"Why, Dicker pa, s the lambs, you know,"
Is what we might reply. "And you, each bully and dead best, In confidence may bind. If you in frequency will trest, The boys will go it blind."

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It was just noon and the men were about having their articos toils when Dickey, in a few word told them they needed come back that afternoon, but that their pay would run on all the same.

You never saw a more astonished set of man. They couldn't understand such unusual liberality.

He then explained the slight political service that would be required of them, and they were told off in squads and placed in charge of Tarry Clarke, Helm, Mixon and myself to be got in proper condition for effective services and conducted to the hustings.

I gathered my gang around and made a stirring speech to them. I said this was turning point in the career of the Dominion—that every man should be alive to the importance of the crisis and ready to perform the duties of citizenship—and that the insults and contumely heaped by Bickford upon the working classes should active their speech fell fiel. They stared vacantly at each other.

One of them said, "What's the man talking about ? I'm going home."

"So an I," said another.

I gathered my ideas up for a final effort which a bould secure their attention, and said, "and now suppose we go and take something."

They instantly began to take an interest in the subject.

We adjourned to a neighbouring bar-room, and in a very short space of time these anpursions of Bickford.

Having seen them thoroughly primed I get them to the hustings, and prated them round the platform to shout for Moss, and yell down the Tory spackers. They did their work nobly.

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