## THE LITTLE CHURCH.

- Back through the years I plainly see The little church beside the copse, Its moss grown roof touched tenderly There many a pilgrimage I made
  To learn how life's work should begin
- Within its sacred portals I

How many a soul was lost that straved

- Off heard the grand old anthems sun And listened long and patiently To blessings from the preacher's tong
- A father's hand oft led me there, A mother's often held my own, As, walking to that house of prayer, All sorrow from our hearts was flown.
- The years are many since I last
- Those blessed portals entered in.
  And life has round me sorrows cast,
  And I have felt the wees of sin.
- But memory never sheds a light More peace-diffusing o'er my
- Than that old church, whose
- In recollection is enshrined.
- The years may grow, I ne'er may a That sacred edifice again: But its remembrance brings to me A balm for grief, a cure for pain.

## EDDY'S SEARCH BRAVE BOY'S BATTLE.

villains who were pulling off to the whale-ship in the canoe, the hearts of Eddy and Ting sank heavily in their bosoms. The relentless energy of their enemies appalled them. A feeling that they were indeed doomed settled like a funeral pall over their

"What's the matter, Eddy?" asked Gorse and how the lad's brown hands trembled un

ler the weight of the spy-glass, "See and hing inbous."
Eddy silently banded his friend the glas the cance, which was now bounding over the waters at a rate that threatened to soon over-

his countenance changing.

"It's them, sure enough," he muttered the ruined gate in the city wall. Here they separated, Vellis making for the quarter most feet; anyhow. They may find their little game blocked though, by the gentleman from left their makers of the sound of the counter most frequented by sailors, and the other ruffians proceeding toward the inn where they had left their makers. haul the whale boat. Then he too started

Ohio—that's me
"Anything wrong?" inquired the Captair
marking the agitation of Eddy and Tina. "Captain," returned Gorse deliberately

con take a look through the glass the men in yonder cance."

The Captain did as requested. A bad looking lot. he commented leyer ray three more hang-dog looking faces.

of Tina's father-who stole the orphan's heritage, as I was telling you last night. vampires, 'ejaculated Captain Hod raddy face darkening. "And the

"Is Jacob Vellis, Eddy's enemy, who ha

made three distinct attempts on the boy life as I also told you.

The Captain's eyes sparkled dangerously Vellis must have hunted Chartes for r he next morning after our arrival, and with in a few hours of our departure up the river, said Gorse quietly. "He discovered that we had set out for Panama, and he hurried in pursuit. He probably arrived at the Indian mans were about to set out for the secon he in pursuit of us. They joined parties heir interests. What they expect to do now

y had continued their journey in company ellis and the ruffians had exchanged partia onfidences, and had already identified thei

"Let them come on," said the Captair with an ominous smile. "They couldn't find anybody more anxious to meet them than I

The whale boat came speeding to the ship.
And scarcely three boat-lengths in the rear
of the whale-boat came the light canoe, with The countenances of the three men were like the countenances of exulting demons. They felt that at last they were sure of their

innocent prey. . Faster and faster sped the canoe in the wak

of the whale-boat, steadily gaining upon i owing, were surned upon the ship and up Suddenly, as the cance, had lessened he

distance from the ship to a few yards. Capt Hodson shouted, in tones like those issuing

The whale boat continued her course to the

To the North Pacific whaling grounds

was the answer.
"Do you stop at San Francisco?" cried "Aye, aye," said the Captain "I want to take passage with you!" ex-claimed Vellis, rising in his canoe. "I was a passenger on the "Atlantic," which was burned at sea." I missed connection with the

Will you take me ?" "No sir," said the Captain. "This isn't a passenger ressel. You'll have to wait for "But you've got passengers on board," cried

'I'll pay you double what they give," said

Vellis, eagerly.
"No, sir!" cried the Captain, drawing him self up, his countenance blazing with menace I wouldn't take you on board, you miserable you and the villains with you would come or board at the peril of your lives. I know al about you, you thieves, robbers, assassins I'd shoot you down, one and all of you, as I'd shoot a noxious wild beast!"

And the Captain's looks declared that meant what he said.

each other in dismay. The Captain of the whale-ship, they comprehended, knew all about their career of villainy. "I'll have to hang up my fiddle on going aboard," muttered Vellis. "Young Burna and

orse were too sharp for me. Let us lie of ere a few minutes. What was that the sail rs in the whale-boat were saying about be The ship's on the point of putting off."
During the brief parley, the whale-boat h

"Johnston is worse with his ferer, Captain, and couldn't be brought aboard. He isn't fit for duty, sig." And Brooks and Ellis, who

you were actually going to stop at San Fran-

returned Captain Hodson, "This puts us into an unpleasant predicament, Mr. Harris. The crew is three short. I don't like to put out to sea short of hands."

"If you choose to lie here an Captain," said the second mate, "we can easily find good seamen ashore. The delay will be brief, and the crew will be better satisfied."

"Very well, Mr. Harris," said Captain Hod-

muttered Vellis, "I've got an idea. Pull out, you black rascals. Give us some of your menscingly at the three passengers on the whale-ship, and then settled himself in his seat, and the canoe returned to the reef.
"I bid you good-by here," said Vellis, as
he leaped out upon the bare rocks. "You are

"No," said the leader of the two despendent with a hoarse laugh, "We'van been out there, and don't find the climate healthy; We mean to run the Isthmus at present There's money to be made here by the right

"The boy and girl have got off; and per-h ups it's just as well. We've scared em out, and have got the field clear to ourselves, and that's all we wanted. We've got a little burying on hand, and must get around to

uttend to it. S'pase you'll wait for steamer? Wish you luck. You'll get to Frisco before the whaler does, and can lie off and wait for them."

The three villians harried along the reef to
the ruined gate in the city wall. Here they

left their mules on their arrival in the city.
"I wonder what Vellis is up to!" mutter
the ruffian who had been valled Tloni by h romrade on a previous occasion. Whe's got an flea working under his wool. He's a smart fellow, Dirk, one of our sort; but if he don't look sharp, he'll stretch hemp out at

the diggines."

The chief of the precious pair assented. The two arrived at the inn, procured food, and lounged several hours in a gambling and lounged several hours in a gambling the mounted. their well-rested mules, and set out on their return to the small Indian village where Eddy

rode out of the quant old city, "but what we are taking a good deal of trouble for a little money. We watched three weeks by Mr. the trouble was three thousand dollars which you've got around your waist, and which I have done the job up sooner—"
"And had the whole isthmus on

"And had the whole isthmus on guard against us?" cried the other. "You talk like a turkey. We couldn't kill the man outright, with that little girl forever sitting by his pillow and watching us like a cat. And the sick man seemed to suspect our designs, and even in his delirium kept his revolver under his pillow ready for use. And he would have used it to, if he'd been as crazy as a loon. We had to see the matter through, and I consider we're paid. We've got to bury the man decently, and this adventure's ended, and we can go down to charges and come up with the train. We'll find a sick, man or a gudgeon in it. If we had done differently in recard to Perry, the Indians at the village would have warned all travellers against us. As it is, we've got up our reputations as he-sisters of Charity, and we'll do a big business before we take in our shingle."

He smiled as he thought, of her. His child was very precious to him, but he hade them not call her, fancying that she was resting herself in the stell as he thought, but he hade them not call her, fancying that she was resting herself in the stell as he thought, but may be had war around his waist.

Then he felt feelily for the well as he was resting herself in the stell as he thought, but he hade them not call her, fancying that she was resting herself in the stell as he thild was very precious to him, but he hade them not call her, fancying that she was resting herself in the stell as he thought, but may be them not call her, fancying that she was resting herself in the stell as he thought, but was very precious to him, but he hade them not call her, fancying that she was resting herself in the stell as he thild was very precious to him, but he had we man deal them not call her, fancying that she was resting herself in the stell as he theld her, fancying that she was resting herself in the stell as he them not call her, fancying that she was resting herself in the stell as he then not call her, fancying that he had we wanted them not call her, fancying that he wi

efore we take in our shingle,".
"You are right, Dirk. We'll bury our man, and hurry down to Chagres. There's lots of game down there waiting for us." Some twenty hours later or toward the clo of the afternoon of the following day, the two desperadoes reentered the small Indian

The landlord was sitting upon a bench before his door, smoking a pipe. Chickens were picking about the unfenced door yard, and roosting on the window-sill and thatched housetop. Children, of all shades of-color, from the swarty hue of the "Spanish to the deeper darkness of the Indian and shiney blackness of the negro, were playing about the grass-grown paths which served as streets.

The ruffigus rode up to the door of the inn. the grass-grown paths which served as streets.

The ruffians rode up to the door of the inn, dismounted, and proceeded to rub their legs, and to call for brandy. A villations liquid called by that name was presented to them.

While they were drinking it, the landlord disappeared within the inn, and his wife came out to wait upon her customers in his stead, "Won't you come in, Senors?" she asked, as the ruffians threw themselves on the bench her husband had racested.

her husband had vacuted.

"No, we've hardly life enough left to stir.

Four days in the saddle on the back of a mule isn't what it's cracked up to be. How about the chap up there?" added Dirk, nodding in his victim. "We'd better have that funeral pretty quick, or you'll have a pestilence in the

I The landlady's countenance changed, but she replied rather constrainedly:

My husband thought the—the body ought be attended to the day you went away And he took charge of it— "Buried it, did he?"

"Of course," answered the women glibly "The but has been cleaned out. The poo dead gentleman's baggage and yours are still there—that's all. Did you and the little

she's all right with her new friends. We promised her to see her father buried; but if you've buried him; it's so much the better.

The nostess assented, and hastened into the hut to prepare the desired meal. The meal lounged on the bench in the shade until it was ready. They then partook of the repast, lingering over it.

It was nightfull when they finished, and nonement the state of the state of the repast.

nouncing themselves ready for departure.

"Are the mules ready, Senora ?"Anouncing the mules ready, Senora ?"Anouncing Dirk, as he arouse from the table and swargered about the door yard.

"Almost, Senor," replied the landledy.

"Then we'll go up to the him and get or

hill, toward the hut they had occupied with the Perrys, and which had an air of forfornness

To explain this mysterious utterance, it will be hecessary to relate what had occurred at the village after the second departure of the two despendoes in persist of their escaped.

to devote themselves to the r rovery of their patient. They dispatched a mers uger forold. Guatavita, the "medicine woman," whom, Eddy and Tina had confined in the inner room

Hot baths, potions and medicaments were bestowed freely upon the unhappy American. In the course of an hour the pulse was per-ceptible in his wrist, and a faint color was

ing a pair of eyes stumberly like; but less beautiful than Times.

The landlady uttered a cry of joy.

The sound seemed to arouse the American He moved his hand slightly, as if feeling for

warthy faces sending over him! With the earthing of his daughter's name he fell sleep. A soft warm dew came out on his forehead, and even those simple people ane

warm-hearted New Grangian oroman. "We will save him, if nursing will do it?" The men whom Eddy had seen a crew?" The men whom Eddy had seen a proached the small best and entered. They awakened he called again for his daughter.
But the fittle curty lical did not appear

"Where's Tina?" he asked faintly, addressing the hadday, his self-constituted nurse.
"She hasfit is in the "was the answer."
"An poor little tired Tind!" murmured

her conscience with the assumance that the truth should not be spoken at all times, and that it would be particularly inappropriate

on this occasion.
On the morning of the lina's flight, before the village was astir, the American was removed to the best room the cabaret afforded.

The cabaret-keeper and his wife then con his two infamous countrymen.

The woman, being the shrewder witted of the pair, proposed to fill the hut on the hill with villagers, upon the arrival of the ruffians, and, on the villt of the latter to

their late domicile, time from the pair, money they had stored. When the landlord entered his inth, after the arrival of Dirk and Tom, he went out again by a rear door, summoned a half-dozen stout Indians to whom he had previously told the story, and hastened with them to the hut the Perrys and their enemies had

ccupied.
Concealing themselves inside the hey waited. of the ruffians were heard approaching— They were in haste to procure their effects and depart, but they were talking and laugh

They lifted the latch and entered the They lifted the latch and entered the dusky chamber.

At the same moment dozen hands seized them—by the arms, the necks, the legs—in a gip that seemed like the closing of a vice. The terrified villains yelled loudly, but they were not permitted to struggle. Their clothes were torn in tatters; the money-pelt wrested from the body of Dirk, they were tossed up and down like balls, they were beaten, pummelled, kicked, and scared to the verge of insanity; and at last they were flung out of the door in a pitiable con-

o the verge of insanity; and at last they were flung out of the door in a pitiable condition, bleeding, bruised; and swollen.

Gathering themselves up from the ground, they staggered down toward the inn, only one thought on imaginating their unserable souls—the thought of escape from the town.

Rut on arriving at the calcret, no inuite, were to be seen. The landlady met them at the door and informed them that the mules, were too tired, and could not be let. Not laring to stay, too feeble and exhausted to protest against her decree, fearing that their mysterious assailants would pursue them to kill them, they tottered from the first and took their way painfully in the direction of

constraid of those men-specially the one that tried to hill Eddy."

The Captain patted the little dusky head

with a care sing touch. Perhaps the innocent children for away at New Tondon. Perhaps there is a the response. "I can sleep better after have after for away at New Tondon. Perhaps there were the springs of left soul. At any rate, there were tears in his cycanand he answered boarsely." "Pray for that poor little Tima, ton," said to guide me to father." "Pray for that poor little Tima, ton," said to see a brute, little girl. We'll see no more of up her cheenfulness! but I we seen her eyes those rascals. Ton can just make yourself up her cheenfulness! but I we seen her eyes those rascals. Ton can just make yourself up her cheenfulness! but I we seen her eyes the seen and Eddy."

For the act hour of two, the sails flapped idly in the wind. The sullors talked together impatient for departure. Tima went among them giving them oranges and fruits, and asking them questions about whaling, about their hones and so on, and every sun-burnes commanion had fallen asleen. His young

was a new experience for these rough sailor to have on board a creature, so exquisitely benufful, so pure, so dainty, so shy and sweet and it was especially delightful that she deigned to talk to them so frankly, ye

"We can't lose this wind if we are she of hands," he exclaimed impatiently, retur of hands," he exclaimed impatiently, returning to his passengers after a hasty tour the deck. "Why don't the men hurry They earl that hill deserted."

"They has coming down the reef, Captain cried Eddy, "Please look through the glass." The Captain acted on the suggestion.

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"The wind the coming." he waid, "and couple of new hands with them. It's itset they were here. It is noon now."

"The wind their third been lying all the while near the reef, in the care of two saids."

Gramm gave a lunge seaward, stended head, and began to move out of the Bay.

Mr. Harris condected his new recruits the captain, who still stood near his pass "These are the new hands, Captain,"

the second mate. "One of them is an sailor. The other is a green hand, i for San Francisco, or on a three ye haling voyage. "Let's have a look at them," said Capt

The first of these was a beardless fellome aix feet fif height, well insde, nonest eyes and bashful demeanor.

"What's your name?" asked the Capi "Prindle, str.—Joshua Prindle." "Where do you hail from ?"

"Martha's Vineyard, Cap'n."
"Been to sea?" "Six years, wir. I went two voyages te halibut, one after cod, one after mack el And I've been one trip on a whaler."

"You'll do, Prindle," said the Captai provingly. "You can sign the ships arti-and make yourself at home. Mr. He will you attend to the business b Prindle goes forward?"

The second mate departed with Prince

"And now, sir," said the Captain addes
ing the second recruit, "What's "Henry Atwater, sir," was the reply,

umbling tone.

Atwater, eh? Where from?" rom one leg to the other. He was an unprepossessi concealing them, and giving them appearance of prering out between the locker. His forehead and checks—the

he seen of them—were dark to sees. Finally there was a limp in h

ately rep'y. "And you know nothing of seams "I can learn, Cap's."
"Of course you don't expect full seges?" said the Captain. "We'll g trial my man and see what you The second mate came forward.

"Show this man to his place,"

Auto his long tree-display he even-losed in softly, and the brilliantersopie iscut, endrishingth beginn, increeded a

"I say, Eddy," observed the ex-schoolmas

offered up his pelitions for the young pairs strangely thrown together.

Eddy lay awake for a long time after his companion had fallen asleep. His young brain was active with a host of straige thoughts and speculations, and for hours he lay in the stillness, vaguely conscious of the steady trampling of feet on deck from time to time as the watch was changed, and of the swash of the waves against the vessel's side.

A little after midnight a sound hearer still and of deeper import, reached his ears.

Some one was drying lifts door.

He sprang up in his togeth, his first thought being of Tina, and that perhaps she was afraid in her, solitude, and had come to him. He listened.

But half satisfied, Eddy returned to his tance. A man can't handle many mice at once, to advantage.

"No, it was not," affirmed the boy avn't been asleep yet."

"But who could it have been ?"

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"It might have been that new sailor who gave his name as A twater," answered Eddy, climbing to his beth.

Gorse laughed loudy.

"When you three prejudice against a man, it sticks," he calclimed. "Why should Atwater come to our room? If he were, to steal anything, he couldn't escape with it. If he were to attack one of us, he'd be put in irons." A ship's cramped place, Eddy. A man can't count't are evil deed, and get off after it. Perhaps you think he's crazy!

"No, I don't think he's crazy, Ichabod," said Eddy unietly. "I don't quite know what to think of him. I don't like his looks "Gorse treated this dislike as an unreasoning aversion, and was greatly amused by it. ng aversion, and was greatly amused by it

He soon went to sleep again, and Eddy, worn out with wearmess, followed his By Eddy's desire, the incident was not mentioned to the Captain or Tina.

Life op board the Captain or Tina.

Life op board the Captain or many hours of sleep, so many meals a day, and so many mours on deck. Eddy and Tina and the fish of various descriptions, an

and the fish of various descriptions, and Eddy grew to feel a peculiar tenderness and love for his young charge. He had saved her from her endutes, and he felt that he had a peculiar right to her. He watched her graceful movements, her changing expressions of countenatice, her shy, sweet ways, with an administion an affection beyond all power of expression.

Atwater, the one of the new recruits whom Eddy spesspecially disliked, did not become a favorite with the crew. Sailors are a social, trank, open-hearted set of men, and Adwater was found to be dull, shy, reserved, and singularly, reticent. His cyes were usually downesst, his figure stooping. The men came to believe among themselves that he was a fugitive from justice, for he was always wakeful, always suspicious, always on his guard. They grew to shun him as if he had been an embodied postilence. Tina, who was friendly with all the crew, Tina, who was friendly with all the crew ried to be friendly with him, and he made

The Ideal of the Udea Herald has

The local of the Utica Herald has, and mider the head of "How We Hunted a Mouse," tells the story. He says:
I was the story in my easy chair, and dreaming of the good times which I hope are coming, when there fell upon my ears a most startling scream. It was the voice of my Maria Ann, of Maria Ann in agony. The voice came from the kitchen, and to the kitchen I rushed. The idolized form of my Maria was perched on a chair, and she was not startling an iron spoon in all directions, and shouting sheo, in a general manner at everything in the room. To my anxions inquiries as to what was the matter, she screamed. Oh, Joshua, a mouse, shoo—wha—shoo—a great—ya, ahoo—horrid mouse, and—she—ew—it rap right out of the cupboard—shoo—go way—Oh Joshua—shoo—kill it, oh, my—shoo."

All that fuss, you see, about one

All that fuss, you see, about poker and set myself to poke that mouse, and my wife jumped down and ran off into another room. I found the mouse in a corner under the sink. The first time I hit it I didn't poke it any on

account of getting the poker tangled up in a lot of dishes in the sink; and I didn't hit it any more because the mouse would not stay still. It ran right toward me, and I naturally jumped, as anybody would; but I am not afraid of mice, and when the infernal thing ran up inside the leg of my pantaloons, I yelled to Maria because I was afraid it would gnaw a hole in my garment. There is something real disagreeable about having a mouse inside the leg of one's panta-loops, especially if there is nothing between you and the mouse. Its toes are cold, and its nails are scratchy and its fur tickles, and its tail feels crawly, and there is nothing pleasant about it, and you are all the time afraid it will try to gnaw out, and begin on you instead of the cloth. That mouse was next to me.

I could feel its very motion with start-ling and suggestive distinctness. For these reasons I yelled to Maria, and as the case seemed urgent to me I may have yelled with a certain degree of vigor; but I deny that I yelled fire, and if I catch the boy who thought I did I shall

inflict punishment upon his person.

I did not lose my presence of mind for an instant. I caught the mouse just as it was clambering over my knee, and by pressing firmly on the outside of the cloth I kept the animal a prisoner on all my might to confuse it, so that it would not think about biting, and I ellod so that the other mice would not ear its squeaks and come to its assis-

Maria was as white as a sheet when she came into the kitchen and asked what she should do—as though I could hold the mouse and plan a campaign at the same time. I told her to think of something, and she thought she would throw things at the intruder; but as there was no earthly chance for her to hit the mouse, while every shot took effect on me, I told her to stop, after she had tried two sadirons and the coal cuttle. She paused for breath; but kept bobbing around. Somehow I felt no inclination to sit down anywhere. "Oh, Joshua," she cried, "I wish you had not killed the cat." Now I submit that the wish was born of the weakness of woman's intellect. How on earth did she suppose a cat could get where that mouse was?-rather have the mouse there alone, anyway, than to have a cat prowling around after it. I reminded Maria of the fact that she was a fool Then she got the tea-kettle and wanted to scald the mouse. I objected to that process, except as a last resort. Then she got some choese to coax the mouse down, but I did not dare to let go for

e squeezed to death so easy.

That was not the end of the trouble for before I had recovered my breath a fireman broke in one of the front windows, and a whole company followed him through, and they dragged hose around, and mussed things all over the house, and then the foreman wanted to thrash me lecause the house was not on fire, and I had hardly got him pacified before a policeman came in and arrested me. Some one had run down and told him I was drunk and was killing Maria. It was all Maria and I could do, by combining our eloquence, to prevent but we finally got matters quieted and

the house clear.

Now, when mice run out of the cur board. I go out doors, and let Maria "shoo" them back again. I can kill a mouse, but the tun don't pay for the

The latest strike in Great Britain

that has attracted public attention has been a strike of the servant girls in Dyndee. It was not a strike for higher It was not a strike for higher wages, for the most ordinary class of maid servants receive better pay than is riven in Scotland for any other descrip They wished for a half holiday every week, a free Sunday every fortuight, and that their working hours should be limited. From six in the morning till ten at night was the reasonable demand wished for a half holiday ex ten at night was the reasonable demand in this respect. It was also proposed that some organization should be effected, through which servants could learn the character and dispositions of their mistresses previous to engaging with them. It was urged that as the mistresses were very particular in requiring references, it would be only just that they should a so be compelled to furnish them. And it was unanimously agreed that if a mistress compelled a servant to wear a lag the mistress ought to pay for it. The Landon paper, from which these facts are gleaned expresses its belief that the last demand is reasonable, at the last demand is reasonable.

OTTAWA, Monday, May 13. The Speaker took the chair at 3.20. THE TREATY BILL.

The first order of the day being for the second reading of the Bill to carry out the Treaty of Washington.

Sir Francis Hincks said at was not without some reluctance that he, as a member for the Province of Ontario, rose to continue the debate, because he really thought that, so far, the members from that Province had monopolized the dis-cussion; nor had he risen because he concurred with a remark of the hon. gentleman who had preceded him, that it was the duty of every hon, member to speak upon this subject. He was desireus, however, of placing before the House and the country the views he entertained, and which he believed the

Government entertained, upon this important question. There were three points to which he would address himpoints to which he would address himself, those being,—first, as to whom the parties were who were responsible for this Treaty; in the second pince, he proposed to discuss the merits of the Treaty itself; and finally, he proposed to consider what was the duty of the House in regard to it, whether it should determine that the Treaty had merits Montreal. Was the river not open to r demerits. With regard to the first the flags of the whole world? It was point, the responsibility of the Treaty, said, constantly, that in the negotiations he contended that, throughout all the discussions in the Imperial Parliament. here had been no question whatsoever. It was a thing quite unheard of to make wo distinct parties responsible for the seen from the speeches of Lords Derby same act, which could only have been Cairns and Salisbury, had treated the performed by one of them. It was matter in a very different way from the perfectly unheard of in all diplomatic relations, that parties who derived their power from, and were responsible to, a interests of the nation; but, condemning Colonial Legislature, should be placed the Treaty where they considered it n a position to dictate or exercise any control over a Treaty negotiated by Commissioners acting under instructions from Her Majesty's Secy of State. Upon this point he would refer very briefly to the opinions of two distinguished noblemen who had taken part in an important debate in the House of Lords upon this Treaty; the first was the Earl of Derby, who had said :--

"I,now pass to the larger question of he Treaty itself, and I wish to say that I look on it as the Treaty of the Goverament and of the Government excluively. I join in all that has been said in praise of the gentlemen who underand the Cabinet, that arduous public daty; but, under all the circumstances and as they were by their instructions I passed over the parties who were en gaged in negetiating the Treaty, and fix the responsibility exclusively on those who advised them.

Again, Lord Cairns, formerly Lord High Chancellor of England "In the observation which I mak upon this document, I would speak of the Treaty as one having been entered

into by the Government."

This is a Treaty which, as regotiated through the medium of Commissioners. So far as the British he clearest evidence, from these protocols, that every clause of that Treaty was communicated to the Government at home, and by them assented to. (Hear, hear.) It is, therefore, a Treaty apon which the Government did not merely give a final approval, but for the daily composition of which they were virtually responsible. Now, was the House to disregard the statements, and hold the first Minister of Canada respossible in the absence of all arguments to support such a pretension; for there really had been no argument; and the doctrines which had been laid down by she got some cheese to coax the mouse down, but I did not dare to let go for fear it would run up. Matters were getting desperate. I told her to think of something else, and I kept jumping Just as I was ready to faint from exhaustion, I tripped over a sadiron, lost my hold, and the mouse felt to the floor very dead. I had no idea a mouse could be some zere to death so coan. the hon, member for West Durham a commission should be appointed, com-posed of one Commissioner from Eng-land, one from the United States, and one from Canada. That was a proposiion that had certainly come from Canada; but he (Sir Francis.) besitated not to say that that commission the suggested was of a totally different aracter from the Joint High Commis ion which sat at Washington. It had never been contemplated that this comowers as the Washington Commission The idea of a mixed commission originated in 1866 with Mr. Adams, who was then Minister from the United States, in England. In that proposition which had been adhered to thro from beginning to end, it was never contemplated to give the commission my power except to make suggestions or the approval of the Governments of England and the United States: In

point of fact the main object of the com-mission was to try and define the head-lands by laying the line down upon the charts. The commissioners were not to negotiate a new treaty; they were to nterpret the then existing treaty—the coaty of 1866, and they were to endeavour to lay down the limits beyond which the American fishermen might not go. After performing this duty tions to the respective Governments of Great Britain, and the United States. The latter part of the minute of Council. which he questioned very much whether the honourable member for West Dur-ham had read, showed what the idea of those who proposed the Commission was. It showed clearly that, in case of dis-It showed clearly that, in case of disputes, there was some third party, some impartial arbiter, to whom the question was to be referred for discussion. It was therefore quite clear that the Commission then proposed was of a totally different character from that which sat at Washington. (Hear, hear.) On a previous occasion he had stated that the First Minister could not, as a man of on the Commission bad declared their views in a of that newspaper. Let any

could resign. If, he had made such appointed him. But even assuming that England might have assented to be occupying such a position, it would have been her duty to have advised the United States Government on the subject; and if such had been done the United States Government would at once have broken off the negotiations. The way to look at the question was to consider what the member for West Durham would have done in the circumstances, Would we have taken a place on the Commission deceiving the Government which had done him the honor to appoint him, taking a part in the negotiations, and then at the last moment, declaring that he would not sign the Treaty? The hon one case in which the First Minister would have been justified in refusing to agree to the Treaty, namely, if the articles relating to Canada had not been left to the discussion of the Parliament. As to the navigation of the St Law rence he did not intend to speak at everything was conceded to the United States. The same charge had been made in the House of Lords of England but the Opposition there, as could be Cairns and Salisbury, had treated the Opposition here. They had not entered into the matter in a spirit hostile to the

open to condemnation, they offered no factious opposition. He referred to a speech of Lord de Grey, stating that the English Commissioners had fought the question of reciprocity as long as it was possible to do so. to the complaint of the member for West Durham, attacking first the protocol and then the remarks of the First Minister, he did not know what to be lieve. He quoted from a speech of Lord Granville in reply to Earl Russell, stating that at first meeting the Commissioners decided to keep their deliberations secret, and that there was no doubt of the wisdom of that course; also that the to accede: others were referred to the Imperial Government, and the decisions or counter propositions made by the English Government were received and considered by the Americans frankly and fairly. It was not correct, therefore, to assert that everything had been coneeded, and that no efforts were made to carry out the views of Canada. With regard to the merits of the Treaty it was not, of course, altogether acceptable to Canada; but they were left, to deal with it as they thought fit, and if it were necessary to confirm what had been previously stated by the First Minister in reply to the member for Hastings he could say unhesitatingly that no pressure of any kind had been brought to bear or the Goveenment from England: but hat all the advice that had been ten dered had come from the very best friends of British connection in England A great deal had been said about the cession of territorial rights, and the compromise of honor; as to the latter, however, there was not a gentleman opposite who would not be prepared to concede everything if they could get a little more. If it was a question of honor only, what difference was there between the cession of territorial rights to us by the United States and ours to them? The moment the dispatch was received suggesting the idea of a money payment for the fisheries, the Govern ment at once pressed their opinion that settlement should be made on that basis. Admitting that the Treaty had great defects, what had been the duty of the Government, and what was the duty of the House? for the same reasons that influenced the Government should have the same influence with the House. He would have been glad if the fishery articles had been excluded, and if, when the Imperial Government had the opportunity, they had decided to withdraw from all further negotiations respecting the fisheries. But the circumstance were materially changed when the Imperial Government took the responsi oility of confirming the Treaty: It was certainly not a little surprising that the most violent opposition against the Treaty proceeded from those least in terested in it. He read an extract from speech of Lord Derby to the effect that the Imperial Government had acted fairly in giving Canada the power to vote the questions which concerned her, and expressing the hopesthat no pressure would be brought to Bearlon her. The speech then went on to say that the weak point of the Confederation was that it was composed of separate local Legislatures, and as the Maritime Proinces were in the minority, they were at the mercy of the other portions of the

Dominion in all questions where the local interests differed; and the speaker

expressed the opinion that in the Treaty it would be found that, while Ontario

and Quebec would readily accept it having a good bargain, the main opposition would arise from the Maritime Provinces. Sir Francis continued that,

onsidering the enlightened views coertained on the subject by the members

or Hochelaga and Chateagnay, there

was little doubt that the Treaty was viewed-favourably by Quebec. But little did Earl Derby imagine the howl

that would proceed from the Grits of Ontario under the influence of the dictation of the Globe newspaper, which was so powerful that hon, gentlemen opposite dared not disobey it. He would not have referred to this matter again.