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TUESDAY EV'NG, APRIL 15, 1878. Naturalization of Foreigners. As our readers are aware, Mr. Young, the energetic member for South Waterloo, lately brought before the House of Commons, the question of the naturalization of foreigners, and securing them all the rights of a British subject. This is not the first or second time that Mr. Young has directed the attention of the Government to this important matter, so deeply interesting to so many of our German fellow-subjects and we trust that Mr. Young may I act that a foreigner, once natural ized, is entitled to the enjoyment of all rights, privileges and immunities, as much as if he were born a British subject; and can, consequently, claim the protection of the British Govern ment whereever he may be.. This is not at present the case. If a foreigner becomes a naturalized subject in Canada, he is not recognized elsewhere as a British subject, and cannot, therefore, claim the protection of the British Government outside the Dominion. This, of course, is a great hardship and grievance, and is keenly felt as such by many of

naturalized, they should be recognised everywhere as British subjects -provided they do not by any act forfeit such allegiance. He then al-ludes to the Naturalization Act of 1870, which provides for the recognition and protection by Great Brit- M ain of all persons legally naturalized as british subjects in any part of the world, under certain conditions, and directs attention to the fact, that under the provisions of this act, a treaty was negotiated in 1871 between Mi Great Eritain and the United States, supplemented by a further treaty in 1872. He concludes by petitioning that an humble address, setting forth the aforesaid grievance, be presented to Her Majesty, and praying that she be graciously pleased to take such steps as may be necessary for the redress of the same, by the negotiation of a Naturalization Treaty between Great Britain and the German States, M whereby naturalized Germans in Canada may be entitled to all the rights, privileges and protection of British Mehr subjects in any part of the world, in as full a measure as if they had been subjects of Great Britain by birth.

A DIVIDEND OF SIX per cent. on Do-minion stock will be declared at the close of the half year. It has been decided to increase the salaries of Civil Service employees for the Dominion at the rate of 25 per cent. for the third class clerks, 15 per cent. for second class and 10 per cent. for Tirst class. There is also a rumor that a bill is in preparation to raise the salaries of Ministers to \$3,000, and sessional allowance to members of Parliament to \$1,000.

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