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## THE BYE-ELECTIONS.

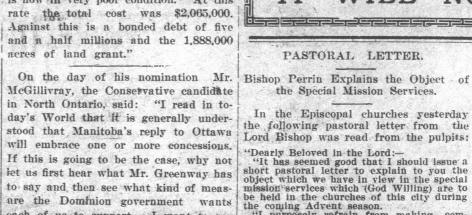
It has been semi-officially announced, through the medium of an Ottawa dispatch to the Montreal Gazette, that in the bye-elections the Bowell government will accept no candidate who will not endorse their policy on the Manitoba school question. A cabinet minister put it to the Gazette as follows: "We are going into this fight as a unit on ment. the government policy, and those who wish to support us must support our policy on all questions." We believe that the sound common sense of the peo-RAILWAY FREAKS. ple of Ontario is with us and that love of fair play, which is inherent in the breast of every British subject, and exceptionally so in the hearts of Canadians, will induce the majority of fairminded men to support us again as they have been supporting us before, and facts he notes are known to many peo- tives in Canada to till the soil and enthat the bye-elections of 1895 will be but a repetition of the triumphal march of the elections of 1892." Another dispatch announces that in accordance with the determination of the ministers Mr. Willoughby will be refused recognition as the government candidate in Cardwell and another man will be placed in nomination who will adopt the government's policy without reserve. This is manifestly the only logical course for the government to take, for there would be a great amount of absurdity in ministers asking the electors to send to Ottawa a representative who would be bound to vote against them, on any important part of their programme. There would appear, however, to be a lack of logic in their acceptance of Mr. McGillivray in North Ontario, who refuses to say whether or not he approves of remedial legislation. The electors will be very apt to draw the natural inference that the ministers and Mr. Mc-Gillivray understand each other, else the latter would not receive the governthe latter would not receive the goods shipped from eastern ment's countenance and support. As to Cardwell, the further announcement is made that the Liberals have determined made that the Liberals have determined Mr. Henry, the warden of Peel county. There is a prospect, therefore, of four candidates-the Liberal, the McCarthyite, the "straight" government candidate and Mr. Willoughby. It is hard to say to the eastern markets seem to total less how so complicated a situation would than the rate from Caigary direct to result, but the circumstances plainly in- the eastern centres. At least, shippers dicate a breaking up of the government's resort to these extraordinary manoeu- Messrs. Smith & Elford, the contract-Ontario following. DRAWBACKS TO BUSINESS. The Rossland Miner draws the attention of coast business men to the defects in the telegraph and postal services of its town as decided obstacles in the way of their doing business there. The Victoria visitors, it finds, do not seem to have looked into these matters, and it suggests "that here is a fruitful field for their industrious research and that they might render a great service to us and securing the much-needed reform." Particulars are thus given by the Miner to make the case perfectly clear: "It is hardly necessary that we should which we complain. They are appar- tails at \$7.75 a ton. The rate on a car were forced to look elsewhere, with the ent to every business man who has any transactions between Southern British couver, 205 miles, is \$85, or, for less a stone once rejected had since been ac-Columbia and the coast cities, or, as to than a full car, 47 cents a hundred. cepted is therefore explicitly denied. that matter, between one point in West Potatoes sell at railway points in west-Kootenay and another." For instance, it is next to impossible to get a prompt ern Ontario for 20 cents a bag (ninety exchange of telegraph messages between | pounds), and in Toronto at 35 cents a Rossland and Victoria or Vancouver. It bag retail, or 40 cents a hundred. The is a rare thing that a message can be rate on a certain machine, manufactursent from Rossland to Vancouver or Viced at Montreal, is \$10 from the place of toria and an answer had the same day. The time required is generally from 24 manufacture to Toronto; \$25 from Monto 48 hours. We do not pretend to be treal to Australia; more than double able to unravel the circuitous route this figure from Montreal to Victoria, which messages have to take over tele- B. C.; and the same charge that carries phone and telegraph wires to pass bethe machine from Montreal to Victoria tween Rossland and the coast cities, but would carry a similar machine from the delay where there is any kind of a New York to Victoria." service at all ought not to be as great as it is. "With a telegraph service so dilatory CONSERVATIVE OPINIONS. and exasperating it is easy to understand why many business men are driven to the other side of the international boundary to place their orders. The telegraph service between Rossland, Trail and Nelson of West Kootenay and Spokane of the State of Washington is opinion, which they may like to re-pear to have a very interesting task. not as efficient as it might be, but it is produce for the benefit of their readers. far in advance of that between the same It comes from Mr. E. E. Sheppard, the places and the coast cities of British Columbia. It is possible to send a telegram from Rossland to Spokane and get gram from Rossiand to Spokane and get an answer the same day. This counts ber of the Conservative party: "When for a great deal in business and both there was anything in Ottawa that was chapter relates to the Calgary & Ed-Victoria and Vancouver ought to realize politically safe or there was any great monton railway, and in it this picture this and bestir themselves to remedy honor to be bestowed upon old and well- is presented: "To estimate correctly the great disadvantage to which they are tried Conservatives, Mr. Meredith was the resources which from various chan-Now as to the mail service. This is poorer than it ought to be. Why, for When what was practically the present tion and operation of this 295 miles of instance, should there be any hindrance government thought they could carry prairie road is scarcely possible upon the to a good postal service between Ross- Ontario and the country, Mr. Haggart, information available. But a more or land and Nelson, or between Rossland egotist enough to imagine himself a pos- less close approximation may be calculand Three Forks, or between Rossland sible premier and fearing to be dwarfed ated from the above facts. Railone another and the mail passing from in the presence of such a conspicuous ways sometimes calculate their land one to the other is handled by but few figure, was even stronger than the min- grants upon a basis of \$3 an acre.' The agents. Yet we have constant com- isters from Quebec in resisting the en- Calgary & Edmonton company will not plaints of delayed letters and newspap- trance of Mr. Meredith into the cabinet say that half that figure is an excessive they ought not to go. The service be- of Sir John Abbott. Now, that these basis. That gives \$2,832,000 under that tween Rossland and Victoria and Van- rosy dreams have faded away comes the head. To this amount must be added

more ground to travel over and more trust his fortunes in a sinking ship ing of \$5,458,940 first mortgage six per agents to handle the mail. A leading manned by mutionus sailors, weighed cent. 20-year bonds. It may be that merchant of Vancouver informed the down with barnacles, her sails ragged these bonds were subjected to a dis-Miner the other day that he lost an im-portant order in Rossland because it took nine days to get a letter from Van-bolds full of bilge! We must imagine which was given them by means of the couver to Rossland and a reply. The him as having taken leave of his senses mail subsidy no doubt materially effect of such a poor service must be ap- if for a moment we could think of him strengthened them. Roughly speaking parent to everyone. We are entirely making such a fatal move. Chief Just therefore, and leaving out of the addicandid in discussing the matter because ice Meredith does not need to be told, tion the mail subsidies, the promoters it is better to look at it just as it is so nor do the people of this province need, raised upon the road in bonds and land about to remedy the evil. While dis- to be told, that the majority of the crew, the amount of \$28,000 per mile. The tance and a combination of water and of this hulk have always had their cut- cost of the road, according to the comrail transportation are somewhat in the lasses sharpened for him, and that his pany's own figures, has been \$3,717.882. way of rapid intercommunication be- throat would not be safe for a moment, or \$13,000 a mile. Actually, however, tween the cities of British Columbia, from the knives of half a dozen of those the construction probably did not cost justify the present unsatisfactory ex- who strut the quarter-deck in their more than \$7000 a mile. The roadbed tarnished tinsel and moth-eaten feathers. is now in very poor condition. At this change of mails." We do not know what chance there is Even the captain, poor Sir Mackenzie rate the total cost was \$2,065,000. of securing the reforms desired in the Bowell, hardly dare snatch a wink of Against this is a bonded debt of five telegraph and mail services, but it is sleep unless protected by & double lock and a half millions and the 1,888,000

evidently worth while for Victoria busi- and bolt and bar from some of his own acres of land grant." ness men to make an effort. The tele- crew. A nice pleasure yacht this to ingraph, of course, is in the hands of priv- vite Chief Justice Meredith to help tug ate individuals, on whom it would be into port! I doubt if either one or two hard to bring leverage to bear. The pos- or half a dozen of the best men in the tal service, on the other hand, is a pub- Conservative party could to-day save the affair, and some pressure can surely old government tub from going to the be exerted to secure its reform. It is bottom, and, furthermore, I feel quite nothing short of scandalous that this certain that neither a half a dozen, nor service should be left in so bad a state one nor two, can be found amongst our let us first hear what Mr. Greenway has as that described by the Miner, when prominent, strong and reputable Conserthe country now developing is so certain vatives, who have no axes to grind, who are the Dominion government wants to pay more than the cost of improve- would risk the effort or who would real- each of us to support. I want to see Reform, however, is one of those ly desire the wreck to again reach port. the measure first. Then I will tell you things with which the present Ottawa True, there is but little to hope from how I will vote. We are not in Russia. government cares to have nothing to do., the probable successors of the present Surely we are entitled to some liberty of government, but if there is no other way action to decide on questions as they

to get rid of the men who are sitting able to the Conservative leaders and pa-The Globe writer whom we quoted astride the necks of those who are pers, since they are so fond of the yesterday in reference to western rail- anxious for better things, then let it be "definite." The report adds that Mr. ways, has some observations to make on defeat, and the country and the Con- Foster and Dr. Montague were at the the subject of railway rates and cog- servative party will be better off. It meeting and spoke on trade and tariff. nate matters in this province. The is not the chief mission of the Conserva- matters, but they left the school question severely alone. ple, but his review of them is interest- gage in their daily tasks merely to keep

ing, as that of an intelligent visitor. body and soul together, that on election He says: "The workings of monopoly day they may be afforded the glorious not reach the markets with their proand the eccentricities of trade have fre- opportunity of voting for whatever misquent illustration in Western Canada. mated and miss-shapen collection of poli-There is a sugar refinery at Vancouver, ticians who, happening to wear the parbut its product is sold cheaper at Win- ty name, are in power or are anxious to nipeg than at Vancouver. At Winnipeg get there. The present outfit at Ottait is necessary to compete with the Mon- | wa does not represent the opinions or imtreal refineries. British Columbia is pulses of any considerable body of electhe seat of the industry of salmon cau- tors in this province except the footning, but at Vancouver a can of salmon sore heelers who are still hoping for a fetches twenty-five cents, while at To- job. There are a number of able and ronto two are sold for a quarter. Resi- reputable gentlemen in the cabinet who dents at Calgary and other points east of the mountains, who require to ship to Eastern Canada or beyond, have found it profitable to ship through to Vancou-ver, more than six hundred miles far-ther west, in order to get the competing rate at that point, and thence ship the same goods back over the moantains and on the eastward. Revelstoke is nearly four hundred miles east dents at Calgary and other points east are overshadowed and overpowered by is nearly four hundred miles east remarks of the montreal Star, which is nearly four hundred miles east of Vancouver, but it is not unusual to have the goods shipped from eastern markets sent on through to Vancouver ever he may think of the Conservative is not unusual to have the goods shipped from eastern markets sent on through to Vancouver is not unusual to have the goods shipped from eastern markets sent on through to Vancouver is not unusual to have the goods shipped from eastern markets sent on through to Vancouver is not unusual to have the goods shipped from eastern markets sent on through to Vancouver is not unusual to have the goods shipped from eastern markets sent on through to Vancouver is not unusual to have the goods shipped from eastern ever he may think of the Conservative is not unusual to have the goods shipped from eastern ever he may think of the Conservative is not unusual to have the markets, or the heart of the almighty C. P. R. syndi-cate be touched by some more almighty spirit that will convince them that the is not a special mission service at 8 in the is not a special mission service at 8 in the ver and the local rate back to Revel-



to clean up the Conservative party and come up." This must have been agree-

## tion severely alone. An Enderby farmer writes as follows to the Inland Sentinel: "Farmers can not reach the markets with their pro-ducts unless paying from 30 to, it may be, over 100 per cent. of the value of their products to the carriers; and now we are levelled to compete with the world or all parts of the world. We are told to make butter, and keep that out of the country, to make cheese and supply the markets with those articles of value, and whose cost of transportation is products. We do not see that a change in | are also many who came without religion



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the following pastoral letter from the to the Recent Militia Lord Bishop was read from the pulpits: Demonstration

Don't be a Dyspeptic,

JOHNSTON'S

FLUID BEEF.

'It has seemed good that I should issue short pastoral letter to explain to you the object which we have in view in the special mission services which (God Willing) are to be held in the churches of this city during

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TAKE

"I purposely refrain from making com-parison between the spiritual and moral condition of Victoria and that of other places, and giving statistics as to the num-between the spiritual and that of rs of the congregations and communi-

cants. "Let us be thankful for what the Lord has done in the past and is doing in our midst to-day, and give all honor to those who at first planted the Church in this place. But no one will deny the need there is of a spiritual awakening among us all, and during this Advent we desire to come together. humbling ourselves before come together, humbling ourselves before our Heavenly Father, and confessing our

cndly, let us resolve that we will give our-selves heartily to work and to pray for

were loyal members of the church, but here they have drifted away, and, alas! there

ity. After this a portion of the coun-These cases the through rate to tase of the board of the through rate to tase of the fact.
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Later on the township council dissolved, because the settlers did not see the necessity for such a body. The only course the county council could pursue was to issue a writ of seizure from the clerk of the court addressed to the sheriff, instructing the sheriff of the county to take the last assessment roll of the township of Low, and levy upon every ratepayer of the township by act of parliament, at such THE DEFENCE STILL SCORES a rate of taxation as would cover the amcunt of the judgments with interest and costs. This was done, but still the taxes were not paid. Then followed Medical Testimony in the Hyams, the posting up of announcements on church doors and throughout the town-Murder Case All in Favor ship that the goods of the settlers would of the Defence. be seized if the taxes were not puid within fifteen days. Notices were also required to be given to the ratepayers informing them of this, and it was while These Can be no Doubt That the doing this that the hostilities commenc-Crown's Case is Considerably Weakened. When the bailiffs appeared on the scene the trouble began in earnest. The notices were taken from them and de-Toronto, Ont., Nov. 25.-There was terwards shot dead near his own door, stroyed. Bailiff Flatters, who was afothing of interest in the Hyams trial was one of the baliffs who sent these on Saturday. The defence has finished notices. He was seized by the rateits medical testimony, and this has been payers, his property taken from him. remarkable only for the unanimity of and he was put into a cellar, where he opinion among the doctors as to how drink. A ball was held in the room the fractures in the skull of Willie over the cellar one of the nights, and Wells were caused. In no essential de- every now and again one of the farmers tail did they differ, and they strengthen the case of the defence, in view of the fact that its medical testimony was never return. There were few bailiffs to be found who would care about gogiven by the most eminent surgeons in ing to Low. The name of the place Toronto. All these have maintained was a terror, yet the township was in that the fractures in the skull were every way a quiet and peaceable one. caused by one crushing blow, and no beyond the one point that they refused evidence of a second blow could be found. If the jury gives this testimon-noxious to them and they would not ny the value it deserves there can be no | listen to it. doubt that the case for the crown is In 1881, when the present county soconsiderably weakened. licitor. C. B. Major, was warden, a cou-At the afternoon session the defence ple of meetings were got up in the towncalled witnesses to show that the elevaship, and it was decided that they tor was roorly constructed and in an should elect a council and be representunsafe condition. Several witnesses, ed at the county council. This was all of whom had at different times used done. The reeve, Mr. Jaffray, of Low, the hoist, swore the weight frequently put a motion for the payment of all caught in the shaft and had sufficient back taxes at the county council, which play to fall off the hook. The witnesses were subjected to a lengthy cross-exwas carried, but three months after this the township council dissolved and reamination, but, on the whole, their \*esfused to meet the obligations. The timony was in favor of the defence. township never afterwards reorganized EUGENE DEBS HAS GONE HOME. its council, and to this day is without any municipal government. Terre Haute, Nov. 25 .- Debs received On Thursday last the bailiffs, along an enthusiastic, welcome on his return with eight provincial policemen, armed ome last night. Despite the with revolvers, endeavored to make bad weather thousands gathered at the staseizures in the township. The ratepaytion and carried the leader on their ers resisted, and the result was that shoulders to a carriage, in which he the militia, on the order of three jusdrove to Armory hall. The auditorium tices of the peace, were dispatched to the scene of the trouble. The presence was packed to overflowing. Debs was visibly affected by his reception. He of over one hundred officers and men. made a speech in line with his utteranarmed to the teeth, will no doubt have ces at Chicago Friday night. He will the desired effect, and the rebelling WELLS & RICHARDSON CO., Montreal, P.Q. | now rest and devote his attention office work, which is far behind. now rest and devote his attention to his ratepayers will have to pay up at the point of the bayonet. SLABTOWN.

From ( Correspondent. Ottawa, -The township Low has alv had a record peculiar to itself, but during the past few days

it has been adding to that record at rapid pace. But to go back to the be ginning. The cause of the presence of the militia there to-day is the determination of the people to resist local taxa tion. The township itself lies some 36 miles from Ottawa up the Gatineau villey, and before the construction of the railway was little heard of. The front stiss, negligences and ignorances, with a full purpose of amendment for the future. "Judgment must begin at the House of God, and we clergy and laity, professing Christians, who regularly use the means of grace, must examine ourselves in His pres-

ing taxes have ceased to do so. Other who moved into the township two or three years ago are now asked to pay ten or twelve years' taxes, a thing which most people would prefer not doing.

The township was formed in 1854, under the title of the municipality of Wakefield and Low. A council was elected each year, and the reeve represented the municipality in the country council up to 1878. After the division of the township, when Wakefield was made one townsip and Low another, the latter refused to pay the taxes levied

by the county council, which was one mill on the dollar. Two years later, in 1880, the county council took action against Low Township to compel the township to pay the county tax. Judgment was given against the municipal-

to householders. Coal from the mines were submitted to the government exof Pennsylvania, freighted for more perts, one being accepted and the other der the faith cure, but this did not last then 400 miles, is sold in Toronto at rejected, and that the stone accepted is \$4.50 to \$5 a ton; that is, the charge the stone they are now quarrying for for carriage over the mountain section use in the building. They further say to themselves by lending their aid in of the Canadian Pacific equals the cost that two samples of Saturna stone, from the last. Miss Smith was converted to of mining in Pennsylvania, handling for different quarries, were also tested, one the faith cure doctrine by her father. shipment, freightage to Toronto and re- being accepted and the other rejected. Rev. A. H. Smith, now a missionary in tailers' profits. At Calgary, 80 miles but in consequence of the accepted stone

from the mines at Anthracite, coal re- being unobtainable at the time they load of potatoes from Ashcroft to Van- result above stated. The statement that

> Sir Charles Tupper is reported to have made a speech at Newcastle strongly advocating "reciprocity between the Dominion and the mother country." It is easy to bring that about; if the Canadian tariff is lowered a step towards reciprocity will already have been taken.

> In Cardwell the government candidate condemns the government's policy on the Manitoba school question because he would otherwise have no chance of success. In North Ontario the government

candidate does not dare to approve the government's policy and does not care Government organs are quoting the to condemn it, so he will keep his opin-

opinion of the Week, as an independent ion to himself for the time being. Mincritic, in regard to the two political par- isters visiting those two constituencies. ties. Here is a good Conservative's to speak for their candidates would ap-

A Toronto Globe writer-probably Mr. publisher of Saturday Night, who is well Willison himself-who has been looking known as an earnest and energetic mem- into railway matters in the west, gives not consulted; he was simply sacrificed. nels have been provided for the construccouver is even worse, because there is proposal that Chief Justice Meredith the road's bonded indebtedness, consist-

Smith seemed to get a little better unlong. The test that she gave to divine healing was a severe one, for Miss Smith suffered much during the past week. She was firm in her faith until

China, who said divine healing had

Porter-Train's awa man. Ye should hae ran faster. senger-Ran faster! Dond, 'a ran fast h. but 'a should ha'e startit sooner. enough.

Justice-What were you doing in Col. Pullet's hen coop? Uncle Mose—Fo' de Lawd, Judge, I was jes' taken de census.

cured him of a serious illness.



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