THE TORONTO WORLD.

A Weak Point in the Scott Act. The Scott act as it now stands has one de dedly weak point. As we pointed out yesterday, the only and final settlement of the question will be a vote of the entire people. only in isolated counties or batches of counties; and it is a mere matter of chance whether the inhabitants of such counties who use alcoholic beverages shall be able to obtain it or not. But the element of chance surely should be entirely eliminated from an at. People who drink will drink, and, as we leve before said, it is better to lead them to u cion too that is fitful and often inet attempt to compel them to gi up in

The Queen's Speech.

There is no difficulty in discovering the purport of the queen's speech. To the franchise bill parliament is supposed to devote its whole attention this session. The fact that both the opening and closing sentences of the speech efer to this subject: the meagre mention made of foreign affairs; and the entire avoidance of any other open question all point to the wishes of the present government. That parliament will adhere to this clearly expressed desire is doubtful. The conservatives ill not cause any very serious disturbances. What the lords will do is open to question. The party that Gladstone will find most an occasion most favorable to them: when answer and absorbing the attention of the government then it is that their policy of obstruction comes prominently into play. They are about to move that the Maamtrasna murders be re-discussed; that the Dublin scanda affair will not pass unnoticed; and doubtless they will hammer at these either till the house witnesses some exciting scenes or until the machinery for putting a stop to obstruction is

Gold in the Far West A despatch of yesterday's date from Victoria, B.C., says that reports received there concerning the Lorne creek gold diggings are very encouraging. A big rush is expected in the spring. The miners are taking out from \$8 to \$10 per day. B. W. Washburn and a party of four took from their claim \$3000 in gold in one month. Other claims are doing equally one month. Other claims are doing equally vell. From \$3000 to \$7000 was taken out of each claim during the past month. Now people here, at this distance, are in no posi tion to judge exactly how much credit should ful gold "finds." But two certain remarks appear to be any natural reason why gold, and silver too, should not be found at the northern end of the great Rocky mountain chain and its outliers, as well as further south. Pacific railway with the new facilities which it offers for reaching the far west and con-

les, and others having hag., 50c to 70c. Turnips, per l large control of capital and labor-appear to have fairly entered upon a crusade against middlemen in various capacities and of various grades. They are trying to do without intermediaries to such extent as may be found practicable, and to do as much as possible directly by their own employees. This new development is accounted for by saying that the big corporations have such urgent need of all the money coming in that they have very little, or think they have very little—to spare for middlemen. The fact is that noarly all these great companies are trying to earn dividends on two dollars of capital, where only one dollar represents an honest cash investment. The necessity of showing dividends on fictitious capital, over and above the real capital and fair present value of their properties, drives directors and managers to all sorts of cutting-down expedients. In the railways business this cutting-down policy is attended with special danger to the public, and sometimes with large losses to the companies, too

The Winnipeg Sun says that Mr. Egan, C. P. R. superintendent in the Northwest, and land commissioner McTaylish got home on the public of the properties, drives directors and managers. The properties of the winnipeg Sun says that Mr. Egan, C. P. R. superintendent in the Northwest, and land commissioner McTaylish got home or support of the properties of the commissioner McTaylish got home or support of the properties of the winnipeg Sun says that Mr. Egan, C. P. R. superintendent in the Northwest, and land commissioner McTaylish got home or support of the properties of the commissioner McTaylish got home or support of the properties of the winnipeg Sun says that Mr. Egan, C. P. R. superintendent in the Northwest, and land commissioner McTaylish got home or support of the properties of the proper

P. R. superintendent in the Northwest, and land commissioner McTavish, got home or the 19th after a drive through Southern Manitoba. Mr. Egan is president of the Manitoba and Southwestern railway company and wanted to see the country for himself. He will report in favor of building the line as soon as possible, regard being had to all the

As we remarked about a week ago, there does seem to be something of a revival in the cotton trade, after all. At six o'clock in the morning, says the Observer of the 16th inst., many hearts were rejoiced by hearing the bell of the Coaticook cotton mills calling the employes to work again. To which let us a'l add that we are glad to hear of it, though we must be allowed to express the opinion that it would be just as well if the bell were to call the hands to work at seven instead of six. When demand is slack the wisdom of working long hours to over supply it is not very

The expenses of the Nile expedition are to be met by adding a penny to the income tax. If John Bull were not such a victim as he is to the free trade craze he would provide for extra expenses by beginning with a customs duty of say ten per cent. on everything imported, except the raw materials of leading manufactures. He might count upon it with certainty that foreign producers and manufac turers would pay at least half of it, which would be quite a relief to the over-taxed people of the three kingdoms. But the folly of free trade on one side only must be kept up, for the sake of appearances, if the heavens should

The gold tide has now fairly turned, and big shipments of the precious stuffare being made from England to New York. The steamer Oregon sails from Liverpool to-day, carrying ion dollars in "very hard cash."

E. M. Bexer (of cartridge fame) wants an absolutely impartial inquiry, independent altogether of both war office and admiralty, to be nade as regards the state of the British navy. He goes so far as to believe that the changes which have constantly been made in the arm. ament of men-of-war, and of which we hea such landstory accounts everytime a new ship is launched, "are not in the direction of efficient ency." This is going to the root of matters, and if a committee really investigated they have a task before them. e really investigates the sul

The Spanish Commercial Trouty.

From the Monetary Times. A cablegram reads as if Sir Charles Tupp had succeeded in getting a treaty with Spair he has received the assurance of Earls Gran ville and Derby that England is prepared to make the exchange of ratifications. This treaty, it may be assumed, from what was

which the sugar of Cuba and Porto Rico will onter the mother country free and a drawback be allowed on what is exported to other countries. Jamaica and other parts of the British West Indies will hehoeforth consider their own condition worse than before, when seen in contrast with the advantages which Cuba is on the point of enjoying. Meanwhile Mr. Solomon is pushing the proposal for the annexation of Jamaica to Canada, and Lord Berby has once more volunteered the information that England has no objection. Sir John Macdonald being in England, under medical treatment, will probably be asked what Canada thinks of the proposed annexation of Jamaica. -A hint worth heeding. Life loses half i

—A hint worth heeding. Life loses half its zest when digestion is permanently impaired. Surely then a speedy means of restoring this essential of bodily comfort is worth trying. Every rank, every profession, bears its quots of evidence to the beneficent influence upon the stomach, and also upon the liver, bowels and kidneys, of Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery and Dyspeptic Cure, or celebrated Blood Purifier. What is the wise course suggested to the sick by this testimony? We leave them to decide.

A Safe Weather Prophet. Moses Oates is the popular weather prophe ust now. Vennor is dead, Wiggins is worse than dead, and Oates is the man. Moses is not so far-seeing as Vennor was—he does not tell so far-seeing as Vennor was—he does not tell us what sort of weather we will have on the 19th of July, 1897; he is not so recklessly exact as Wiggins was—he does not tell us that a hurricane, moving at the rate of 2,013 miles an hour will strike Bullock's corners at 94 minutes to 6 a.m. on the 17th of February; but he is a good, safe, every day prophet He said the other day that the farmers ought to take in their turnips now, lest, peradventure they (the turnips) might get frozen. And the prophesy has been verified. That is to say, the farmers are taking in their turnips.

—Mr. Henry Marshall, reeve of Dunn writes: "Some time ago I got a bottle of Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery rom Mr. Harrison, and I consider it the very pest medicine extant for dyspepsia." This nedicine is making marvellous cures in liver nedicine is making marvellous cures in live complaint, dyspepsia, etc., in purifying the colood and restoring manhood to full vigor.

An Agreeable Surprise. -Those who try Burdock Blood Bitter

THE FARMERS' MARKET.—The reco of grain on the street were smaller to and prices without much change. About uishels of wheat offered and sold at 74 ing at 57c to 64c. Oats steady, with sales of 100 bushels at 33c to 34c. Peas are nominal at 59c, and ryg at 59c to 60c. Hay in limited supply and prices steady; twenty-five loads sold at \$9 to \$11 ter clover, and at \$12to \$15 for timothy. One load of straw sold at \$10.50. Hogs firmer at \$7 to \$7.25. Beef, \$4.50 to \$5.50 for forequarters, and \$7 to \$8.50 for hind-quarters. Mutton, carcese, \$5 to \$6.50. Lamb, \$600 to \$6 50. it offers for reaching the far west and conducting exploring expeditions there, must surely draw to these regions large reinforcements of hardy and determined adventurers, who now have the opportunity of reaching with comparative ease many nooks and corners heretofore inaccessible. It is the most natural thing in the world, so to speak, that the opening up of the great new route to the Pacific should lead to important discoveries of various kinds.

Exterminating the Middlemen.

Over the border it is remarked that the great corporations—railway companies, iron companies, coal companies, and others having page. The receipts when the pact of the companies are defined as the conditions of the companies are defined as the companies are defined as the conditions of the companies are defined as the conditions of the companies are defined as the condition of the companies are defined as the condition of the companies are defined as the condition of the c oc. Carrots, per bag, 40c to 55c.

New York Markets.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—Flour quiet and unchadged. Wheat lower; October 73½c to 73½c, November 74c to 74½c, December 75½c to 76½c. No. 2 spring 73½c to 73½c. Corn unsettled and higher; cash 42½ ote 43c, October 41½c to 4½c, November 41½c to 43½c, year 39c to 39½c. Oats higher; cash 42\(^2\)0 te 43\(^2\)0, October 41\(^2\)0 to 43\(^2\)0, November 41\(^2\)0 to 43\(^2\)0, year 39\(^2\)0 to 39\(^2\)0. Oats steady; cash and October 25\(^2\)0 to 29\(^2\)0. November 26\(^2\)0 to 29\(^2\)0, November 26\(^2\)0 to 26\(^2\)0, May 23\(^2\)0 to 29\(^2\)0. Rye quiet at 52\(^2\)0. Barley firmer at 60\(^2\)0. Pork lower; cash \$15.50 \quad \text{s} 15\(^2\)0 to \$15.75, October \$15.50, year \$11.75. Lard lower; cash \$7.15 to \$7.20, October \$7.20. November \$6.97\(^2\)1 to \$7.70 becomber \$7. Bulkmeats in fair demand; shoulders \$6.25. short clear \$8.50 \quad \text{Whisky steady and unchanged.} Freights—Corn 2c, Receipts—Flour 14.000 brls., wheat 171.000 bush., corn 127.000 bush., barley 24.000 bush. Shipments—Flour 15.000 bbls., wheat 55.000 bush., corn 154.000 bush. oats 163.000 bush., rye 24.000 bush. barley 27.000 bush.

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daring achievements. Promy desperate condition and the so many of their comrades, changed the color of their fland yellow to black, and for they are called the Black afterward attacked Tong and of Annam, and, failing it or to make such terms as would guarant, a the refu kingdom they offered to pro nandarins of Chive in the r peror. The last proposition by the sate of When Whong Yen Chang capital the entire interests of were entrusted to Lau Yee I were entrusted to Lau Yee I were popular within the bar ported him liberally by regure to buributions. In the early eleventh year of Kwong Sue the French threatened Chim Annam, the Chinese governs the strength of the enemy at ties in sending out an army to cope with the Fran alliance with the The government, know special hatred existed to the Black Flags towal account of her supremacy in account of her supremacy in that the forces of the go

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