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RUMORS have been coming in from Dawson of a split in the Liberal campaign there. It persisted in a split usually means the loss of the seat to the party suffering from the split. Dawson, while enjoying a world-wide reputation as the seat of a rich gold mining camp, is in all such matters a small community. So far as we can ascertain, the split originated in the transfer of the government patronage from the Yukon Sun to the Yukon World. The Sun, as alleged, is controlled by a man named O'Brien, who is an old Liberal in the district. Why the Commissioner, Mr. Congdon, should have offended Mr. O'Brien and transferred the patronage from the Sun to the World, is a question which, perhaps, only Mr. Congdon himself can answer. Mr. O'Brien is backed up by Mr. "Duff" Patullo. Mr. Congdon has also incurred the hostility of an irresponsible individual named Falconer, who came up from Victoria and was made a special constable at Dawson, and also of Mr. Beddoe. Just why a roustabout like Falconer should be a political factor is one of those things which no fellow can understand. The Sun and the O'Brien-Patullo clique are opposing Congdon as a representative of the government. We do not think they are opposing the government, but it behoves the government at Ottawa to ascertain what all the trouble is about, and fix it up before the elections come off.

SOME people, writes Dr. Goldwin Smith, will go on worrying the French-Canadian about his loyalty till they really make him disaffected. He is not giving the slightest sign of discontent under British institutions or of want of reasonably cordial feeling towards his fellow-citizens of another race. His best repre-

sentative, Mr Bourassa, came to Toronto spoke frankly to us, and gave not the slightest offence, but on the contrary, met with general approbation. It would not be very reasonable to expect that a Frenchman by race, whose popular flag is the tricolor, should keep both hands on the Union Jack, leaving himself without a hand for the spade and the hoe, or that he would be willing to spend his scanty earnings in the furtherance of objects of purely British ambition. It might not even be very reasonable to expect that a Frenchman by race should be very ready to take arms up against France. The factories of New England swarm with French Canadians, not a few of whom bring back their earnings, no doubt with kindly recollections, to their own country. Can these people be expected to arm against the Americans as a hostile nation?

DR. GOLDWIN SMITH sizes up the situation in England as follows:—Again the Balfour government is beaten in a bye-election, this time in Scotland. Manifestly it is holding power against the national will. But it has evidently no thought of resignation or dissolution. By declining to hold a colonial conference, it shelves its Imperialist policy for the time being no doubt convinced that while colonial compliments abound, colonial willingness to reduce duties on British goods does not, and also that there is little likelihood of a very satisfactory response to its call for colonial contributions to Imperial armaments. The support of the liquor trade, which is secured by its licensing bill, is powerful but brings with it a recoil. What is to be feared is that the political schemer who has the government in his hands may attempt to save it by taking advantage of a dispute with Russia or some other diplomatic complication to embroil the nation and again awaken the passions to which with fatal success he before appealed.

THE Toronto Globe says that no more typical Canadian than the Ontario Minister of Agriculture could find his way across the Atlantic. If Mr. Dryden is a

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