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Germany comes second in imports,

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## THE POOR MAN'S FRIENDS

he value being £409,048,000, while in Hon. Mr. Maxwell disclaims for himself and his fellow members for St. he case of exports the United States tands second, with £360,139,000. Ger-John responsibility for the butchering nany's exports were £322,030,000, and of the new assessment bill and objects to The Sun's remark that "the men the United States imports. £232,594,000. The following are the figures for the who are taxed on less than three hundred dollars have apparently few ther principal countries: France, imports .. .. £243,634,000 friends in the Common Council and France, exports .. ..... 210,878,000 none in the legislature.

"Delegates from the Common Coun-Belgium, imports.. .. .. 134,004,000 cil, from the Board of Trade, from the Belgium, exports .. .. 103,413,000 insurance companies, the banks, the Italy, imports .. .. .. 121,239,000 street railway and representatives of Italy, exports .. .. .. 74.230.000 the working men and of the civil ser-Austria-Hungary, imports 105,518,000 vants came to Fredericton," he said, Austria-Hungary, exports 96,874,000 "and met in committee and arranged The imports of the United Kingdom the matters dealt with in the bill in a last year-£513.475.000-show a deway mutually agreeable and it was a cline, the corresponding figures for 1967 gross misrepresentation to say that being £553,866,000, and for 1908 were the working men had no friends in the £522,786,000. The exports, which in House on either side." 1906 were £375,575,000, rose to £426,035,-

Why, if this bill as amended is un-objectionable, should Mr. Maxwell re 220,000. pudiate any responsibility for it? And But a similar decline took place in the if it is objectionable why should he case of most of the other countries. feel impelled to defend it, and that at A notable exception is that of Canada, the expense of misrepresenting The whose exports rose from £48,926,000 in Sun's criticism? 1907 to £ 50,902,000 last year.

The Sun never said "that the work-It is an interesting commentary on ing men had no friends in the House." the "balance of trade" argument that Our assertion was that" "apparently" every great country, protectionist as those "who are taxed on less than \$300" vell as free trade, is importing more have no defenders, and the result of than it is exporting, with the exception the manipulation of the bill in question of the United States. Upon Mr. Fosamply bears out that statement. The ter's theory every country except the banks, the Street Railway have friends and supporters because they have wealth and "influence." Organized la-United States is therefore the poorer for the business done last year, in that t has paid out more money than it bor has friends because it has votes. These interests profit under the amendtook in. ed assessment bill. But who was there in that committee to which Mr. Max-THEIR OWN MEDICINE well refers to stand up for the exemption from taxes of the men who The Liberal opposition in the provin can earn less than a dollar a day? cial legislature have demanded investi-Who was there to oppose the outragegation into current charges of misconous proposition to inflict upon the fuct on the part of Sheriff Stewart of poor man a \$5 poil tax-\$3 more than Restigouche. Premier Hazen in re-

the amount collected from any other sponse, has demanded that the detractclass in the community? ors of Sheriff Stewart should frame a The 4,000 men in the city who can definite charge. marn less than \$300 were not represent-Said Mr. Hazen: "The honorable genof in Fredericton. The labor repretleman (Mr. Currie) had dealt in vague sentatives who were heard spoke for rumors and slanders, he had not made a single charge that could be investi-

the average union man-the man whose income ranges between \$400 and gated. If the honorable gentleman or \$1,000. This class is undoubtedly re- any other member of the House or any Meved somewhat under the new bill, in that they are exempt on \$200 of their income and pay only a \$2 poll tax. But that relief is in a measure won at the expense of the poorer man.

It is reported to The Sun as a fact that the main reason for the miserable discrimination which makes the poll tax \$5 for the man exempted on income was the complaint of the better paid labor interests that complete excmp-tion for the \$300 wage earner would burden the man who stands a little higher in the laboring scale. Even if this afternoon when something definthis complaint were well-founded it ite was reported against Mr. Stewart." would be a disgrace to the men who made it. But it is not true. Only 400 is! What Mr. Hazen fairly and reawould be a disgrace to the men who of the 4,000 whom it was proposed to sonably demands in the case of Sheriff exempt were able to pay their taxes Isst year On this basis full exemption Stewart, is precisely what the Liberal community's affairs. But there is no every supporter of the governmentlast year. On this basis full exemption government at Ottawa is demanding fairness nor justice in forcing one man would only have involved a loss of from Mr. Hazen and his political asso- to pay a higher price for this privilege about \$2,800 to the treasury. If, on the clates in the case of Dr. Pugsley.

THE NEWS, ST. JOHN. N. B. FBIDAV, APRIL SO, 1900, BRITAIN'S TRADE permisions. In the effect it practically and bar. The expenditure for drink, highly to the most formidable attack ompeis a man to be a partisan in In somewhat remarkable contrast to order to wold, as well as to ublain, he wails of fiscal reform advocates office hat Great Britain is fast dosing The government press will doubtless ground under her free trade system, a answer this criticism by reminding us eport recently issued by the Board of that the system of yearly appointments Trade shows that during the year 1908 was inaugurated by Hon. Mr. Blair. e United Kingdom led the world both But that is no excuse for its retention, n the amount of its imports and exparticularly by a government whose members have so lavishly den The figures for Great Britain are: Mr. Blair and his successors, Mr. Hazen United Kingdom, imports, £513,475,and his colleagues were not elected to perpetuate old conditions, but to re-United Kingdom, exports, £377,220form where reform was needed. And reform is grievously needed in this

matter.

PUT UP OR SHUT UP. The Conservatives are now attempting to throw upon the federal government the burden of initiating inquiry nto the Mayes "scandal." But Dr. Pugsley has given his word, backed by evidence and argument convincing to his friends, at least, that the unsupported allegations of that foiled and disappointed seeker for departmental favors are false. The government believes him as against Mayes. For the government to place Dr. Pugsley on trial without further evidence or something in the nature of a reputable charge would be a distinct admission of disbelief in Dr. Pugsley. The opposition, on the other hand, profess to believe Mayes as against Dr. Pugsley. If they actually so believe it is obviously their duty to take action. All they have to do is to ast the Public Accounts Committee to take the matter up or to get Dr. Daniel or somebody else to follow up the Mayes affidavit by bringing a charge against the Minister-as Mr. Hazen has demanded of the provincial opposition in the case of Sheriff Stewart. Surely this is fair, in one case as in the other. Fairness also demands that if the

any responsibility for the Mayes charges, they should drop them from their political material. If they dare not endorse the Mayes affidavit they should not attempt to cash it in the bank of public opinion. -----

## A PLEA FOR JUSTICE

Under the present taxation system there are about 4,000 men in this city who are assessed on incomes of \$300 or less. The average tax bill of these nen, including the \$2 poll tax, is about \$7. Last year only 400 men so assessed were able to pay their taxes.

By giving these small wage earners ull exemption it is obvious, therefore, that the city would actually lose about \$2,800 in revenue It is equally apparent that few if any

responsible citizen in the province of those who could not afford to pay Stewart, he as attorney general would that \$7 can afford to pay the proposed see that it was fully investigated and poll tax of \$5 by which the exemption acted upon, but the government did clause in the amended assessment bill not propose to investigate every rumor is nullified. Where then is the ground and malicious report that might be in circulation. He thought the honorable for not granting full exemption for member had gone a long way out of these pitiful incomes? Is the inconsiderably trivial sum of \$2,800 sufficient his way to try and injure Sheriff Stewart, a gentleman of the very highest justification for the gross discriminaintegrity and standing in the comtion involved in the system which immunity. . . . It would be time enough poses upon one class in the community a higher price for the privileges of citizenship than upon other classes? One principle established in the new bill is fair and just-that the poll tax is the basis of citizenship, that all who pay this fundamental tax are entitled

thersi're, totais: Canadian spirits, \$23,-563,972; imported spirite, \$17,019,824; Canadian malt liquors, \$27,160,266; dmcorted malt liquors, \$2,192,512; wines. tentional. \$6,931,175; total, \$76,867,649. The duties collected amounted to \$14,669,627.08. These are large figures, actually; relalively, in comparison with England says Sun will get Copp stuff by mail and the United States they are small. The Canadian consumption, of liquor was seven gallons per head; the comparative figures are 23 gallons per head or the United States and 31 gallons for England. The drink bill of the United States in 1908 was \$2,174,766.-955 and of England, £167.061.200. Copp and Mr. Byrne, though they -----

## OSTLERISING MR. MCMULKIN

If Messrs. Hatheway, Maxwell, Wilgovernment which is back of him did not want this report made public, were on and McInerney want John Mcafraid to have it made public. Mulkin's scalp, why don't they go after it man fashion. If Mr. McMulkin s fired from his position as factory inspector it will be simply because he is a Liberal and some clamorous Conservative wants his job. Everybody knows that and knows also that the cheme to oust him by means of legislation declaring him too old to give good service is a hypocritical and pusilto better advantage. animous subterfuze.

Mr. McMulkin has proved himself an excellent official, devoted to his duty. ainstaking and absolutely honest. If, as is alleged, he is over seventy, he is wonder for his years. Few men of fifty are so vigorous and active. If he were a Conservative he could continue serve his province usefully and norably for years yet. But he isn't. He is a Liberal and proud of it, ough no man can point to a trace partisanship in word or action since took public office. The government can find no fault in him save his politics, and as this is not sufficient ground for his open dismissal by a non-partisan administration, they have decided Conservatives are unwilling to take to put him quietly out of the way by legislative chloroform, a la Dr. Osler. The result, however, is just the sameanother Grit head in a basket and another job for a good Tory. Next!

THE POOR MAN'S FRIENDS Hon, Mr. Maxwell complained be

cause The Sun doubted that the \$300 come men had any friends in the egislature. We apologise. We were wrong. They have fifteen. And Hon. Mr. Maxwell is not one of them, nor is ny of his colleagues from this city r any other Conservative in the leglature, except W. F. Hatheway, whom the name Conservative fits about as comfortably as it does W. F.

Maclean-or as it would have fitted Karl Marx. There was no occasion to make this matter of simple justice to the poor nen of St. John a party issue in the egislature. The assessment bill as botched by the conferring interests which looked after themselves and et poor devil who can earn only a dollar a day go hang, was not a government measure. Mr. James Lowell's compromise amendment, reducing the our man's poll tax from \$5 to \$3, was n no sense a partisan motion. Why then did the House line itself for and against this amendment the only fault of which was that it did not go gard." enough-on a strictly party basis? Why did the Premier of the province, every member of the government— Invince for a large port of lost two

o politics in particular-feel called up-

poll tax upon the poorest citizens of

son can be sugested save the subconsci-

the term Tory stands for?

oopular rights.

ous but controlling class feeling that

It is a common saying that the names

by which the two great parties are

known stand for nothing nowadays;

and in the main this is true. But from

the beginning Toryism has been the

politics of the privileged classes and

The people of St. John will keep yes-

terday's vote in the legislature in

nind-particularly the 4,000 men who

by the discrimination which compels

the poor man to pay \$5 for the right

of the franchise and exacts only \$2

head tax for the privilege of citizen-ship from his more prosperous fel-

to keep it in mind-to remember that

a matter intimately affecting the

one Minister of this provincial gov-

And The Sun will also endeavor to

are unjustly and inexcusably oppressed

iberalism the gospel of freedom and

for class privilege and Liberalism for ministration.

St. John, while the better-to-do are

sor, was deposed in 1876 on the ground that has been made upon this govern-ment during its brief and inglorious of insanity and Abdul Hamid II. reigned in his stead. term of office was deliberate and in-The new Sultan, Mehemmed-Reshad,

s the brother and two years the junior Queried at 1 a. m. regarding the lack of Abdul Hamid. His succession to of further news of the debate the the throne is according to the law Western Union responded "Hubbard which provides for inheritance in the order of seniority by male descendants omorrow." Now Mr. Hubbard is a of the house of Othman in born in the newspaper man and knows well that Imperial Harem. The eldest son of the 'tomorrow" in a daily paper office is Sultan can only succeed to the throne "never." Time and again during this in case the Sultan is survived by no session he has sent reports up to 2 a. brothers or cousins of greater age. In m. and later, when some of the late this instance, three uncles stand bespeakers were friends of the govern- tween the throne and Mehemmed ment, and his refusal to report Mr. Selim who under the ordinary Euro

pean system would be the heir-apparclosed at a reasonable hour, can only ent, being Abdul Hamid's eldest son. have one meaning-that he and the

VOTES FOR WOMEN

The report which The Sun was able It may be quite true that woman's o get from another source shows why place is the home, that she would be this suppressison was desired. Never spoiled by mixing in politics, and all has a government during so short a that-but it is not for men to say so. period of power laid itself open to such If women want to vote there is no a scathing arraignment as that de-livered last night by Mr. Copp and Mr. ical or political, why they shouldn't. Byrne, and seldom has political op- They bear their share, and more, of

portunity been seized more forcibly or the burdens of humanity and have just right to an equal share in the Practically every pledge upon which privileges of society, such as they are,

Mr. Hazen and his colleagues won if they want it. But do they? office a little over a year ago has been We believe not, as yet. And we are flagrantly broken or deliberately un- old-fashioned enough to hope not, for fulfilled. For promised ecorciny they a while. Most of us are old-fashioned have given extravagance beyond all in this way because our women folksecords; for promised process of honest thank God!-are old-fashioned enough tender for public works they have to prefer the home to the hustings, the given the patronage system in its rocking-chair to the rostrum and the most vicious form; for promised muni- babies to the ballot box. But the old cipal comprol of highways they have order changeth. Until the last century given political management of the woman was not recognized as a pergrossest kind; for promised agriculson in the eyes of the law. The contural and immigration reform dey cession of personality has not lessened have given a farcically inefficient subher charms nor her value to society, stitution; instead of cheaper school and the further concessions which the books they have givan a fraudulent readmission of personality inevitably duction whose profit goes into partisan carries with it may similarly fit in with pockets; for promised non-partisan the and changing social conditions, to government they have given the most the common good. But the point for aliciously political administration emphasis is this-that the place which this province ever had. And Mr. Copp women shall occupy in society must corporated industrial companies, but and Mr. Byrne drove these points home be for their own choosing-not for with stinging emphasiss.

man's dictation. The attitude taken And those who follow in this debate by the male legislature yesterday, in and need of the undertaking. oday can add to the arraignment that this regard, was arbitrary and unjust. the power won by fraud this govern What should be done is to make proment proposes to hold by fraud-by the vision for a feminine plebescite, to be for six weks in the newspapers covlamnably dishonest misuse of the maheld at the written demand of the chinery of publicity under its control majority of adult women in the proas instanced by the flat refusal of its official reporter to provide the press of

MR BURCHILL AND THE

corrupt, in that the place was used as

a means of political bribery during the

In view of his own statements, Mr

Burchill can no longer honestly sup-

port this government, even in an in-

violated the non-partisan conditions he

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ABDUL THE DAMNED

The "sick man of Europe' 'is dead

ourn the disappearance of his sinis-

craft. At last his subtlety has react-

character and will carry his infamy

Universally held guilty of the death

of the scores of thousands of Chris-

olitically; and there are none to

dependent fashion. It has not only

provincial general election.

erlapped so as to be almost indis- eyes of corrupt and illegal practices.

inguisheble, when a crucial test is And Mr. Morrissy, whose candidate

stincts prevain-Toryism still stands admittedly partisan and corrupt ad-

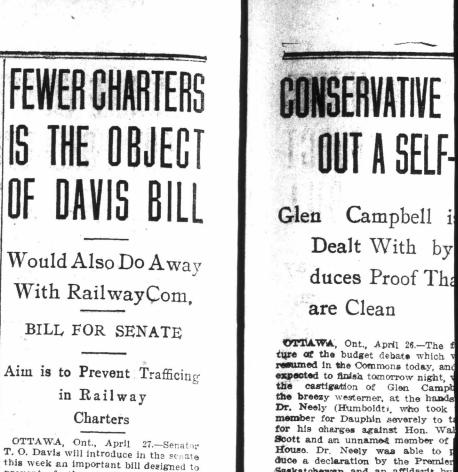
ernment and only one legislative mem- through history. Only his uncanny

nade, as in this instance, the old in- Mr. Burchill was, is a member of this

In declaring his position during t course of the opening debate in the legislature, Hon. Mr. Burchill stated his conviction that provincial affairs should be run along non-partisan lines and promised the government his independent support so long as they merited his approval in this and other matters. In the same connection he insisted that fair play must be extended to Liberals, and warned the gov-

ernment that any action to the contrary would merit and receive his op position, adding that "so far he had no reason for complaint in this re-The Sun at the time pointed out that

province for a large part of last year Liberal in everything but the name, and Mr. Carter of Madawaska, who has "legislature in his present position."



prevent further trafficing in railway

charters which are obtained almost by

scores from parliament each session,

but which only a very small percent-

age ever eventuate in actual construc-

tion of lines authorized. Senator Da-

vis proposes to do away altogether.

with railway committees of the com-

... na and senate and place the incor-

poration of railway companies on the

same basis as now obtains in case of

industrial companies seeking federal

charters. His bill provides that any

company seeking a railway charter

may 10 an one through Secretary of

states department under the same pro-

company applying must first satisfy

railw.y commission as to bona fides

It is provided that the company be-

fore getting a charter must advertise

ering the district through which the

proposed railway will run, must submit

to the commission a detailed plan and

engineers report showing the route

and feasibility of proposed line and

must raise at least sufficient cash cap-

ital to buy a right of way and pay the

cost of all expropriation proceedings.

If the railway commission after care-

ful examination is satisfied with the

plans and bona fides of the company

a certificate will be forwarded to the

secretary of the state department and,

then incorporation will be granted in

the regular course. The bill also pro-

vides that a deposit shall be made

with the government sufficient to

cover the cost of right of way and all

expropriation proceedings, and if the

road is gone on with within a speci-

fied time, five per cent of this deposit

the company. Another provision is

that all moneys received from the sale

of stock, bonds, etc., must go into the

railway or else be considered as a fine

Lamppost

toward the curb. The machine smash-

the latter declared that he would

rather have wrecked the machine and

done himseif "much injury" than to

ren. He rode home on a trolley car,

have struck the woman and her child- .

WELL ANSWERED

OTTAWA, April 27 .- The attitude of

the opposition throughout the budget

debate was aptly summed up by E. M.

facal policies was convincing.

and go to the public treasury.

cedure a now applies to federally

for his charges against Hon. Wa Scott and an unnamed member of House. Dr. Neely was able to duce a declaration by the Premier Saskatchewan and an affidavit by official of Saskatchewan and Ma be Land Company denying that Scott had ever had any stock, and followed this up with an exposure Mr. Campbell as a self-confessed b

Mr. Logige (Northumberland) cussed the financial need of the g ernment with approval and deci that by their works to promote a culture alone had given Canada. best government she ever had debate was continued by Mr. Made who advocated increased protect for Nova Scotia coal and Mr Fra who demanded a survey for Prin Edward Island tunnel.

E. M. Macdonald moved the adjou ment of the debate. Mr. Borden called attention to a

spatch in the Globe to the effect t the United States government had a plied several times to the British A bessador to ascertain the attitude the Canadian government with ref ence to the waters of the Heca Straits, but had received no reply. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said there been some correspondence on the su but what position was at the pr sent he could at the moment say.

#### APPROVED BY SENATE.

Hon. Mr. Fielding, in reply to MacDonell, said the supplement treaty with France had been approv by the French Senate, but had still be approved by the French Chamb of Deputies. The latter body had a journed for several weeks, but he a ticipated that at an early date the su plementary treaty would receive approval of the French Chamber Deputies and at the same time step would be taken to present to the Do minion parliament a measure for s.p proval of the new treaty.

COLD STORAGE.

The debate on the budget was i sumed by Mr. McLean (South Huron who thought that the farming inter

DDALING



Artist Declares He Again shall revert to the state as a fine upon Loves Woman He Deserted

PARIS, April 27 .- Ferdinand Pinney and had probably not followed political events closely, and predicted that if his "honesty and judgment are simi-the simisave Mr. Hatheway, who is a radical his "honesty and judgment are simi- for his former wife. He told his friends



be, had been kept at the \$2 level throughout as the tax payment necessary for the voting privilege, enough men who cannot afford to pay \$7 or \$5, would have paid this amount to bring charge that can be investigated," and the sum collected from the \$300 class all the time condemn the federal govsake of fair play and decency it ernment because they do not "inves-

Nobody benefits by this proposed discrimination in the poll tax. On the Every word of Mr. Hazen's defense of other hand its application will not only Sheriff Stewart is a damning indictdisfranchise but will make bad debtors | ment of his own and his party's maliof at least 3,000 men. It is outrage- clous and unscrupulous and cowardly cusly unjust in principle and cruelly | pursuit of Dr. Pugsley, and a justificaburdensome in application. For the sake of fair play and deecency it should be eliminated.

# MR. BLAIR AND THE SHERIFFS

In the effort to defend Premier Hazen for his grossly partisan use of

the law providing for the yearly aptment of sheriffs, The Standard asserted recently that this practice was ment by wasting the public time and established by Hon. Mr. Blair. "There the public money in useless obstrucwas a time," it said, "when the position of legislation which they do not tion of sheriff in this province was a approve. They have fulfilled their duty permanent appointment. Mr. Blair made it annual and thus took for himself and his successors the power to replace sheriffs."

As a matter of fact Mr. Blair became Attorney General and leader of the government in February, 1883 through. The Revised Statutes of New Bruns-

wick, 1854, chap. 131, sec. 1, reads as follows: "The sheriffs of the several counties,

rule for the highways while the Conservatives insist that their political except the sheriff of the city and county of Saint John, be appointed by the appointees shall sit upon every dismovernor in council in the month of trict highway board and handle the ex-March each year, but nothing shall penditure, thus retaining the vicious

prevent the appointment of a sheriff and vitiating patronage system in this at any other time when necessary most important feature of public busifrom death or other cause. In case of ness.

his death the coroner to discharge the The new law is undoubtedly an imduties during the vacancy of his of- provement upon the legislation introduced last winter, and upon the pres-

The Consolidated Statutes of New ent law also, but the deadly bacillus Brunswick, 1877, chap. 25, sec. 1, is as of political interference is alone sufficient to destroy its usefulness. In its follows:

"The sheriffs of the several counties insistence upon this the government shall be appointed by the governor in has made itself responsible for every council in the month of April in each failure of the new law to meet local year, but nothing shall prevent the ap- conditions satisfactorily and in their pointment of a sheriff at any other defense of municipal rights in this retime when necessary from death or gard the opposition have pointed out other cause. In case of his death a to the people of the province the course coroner may discharge the duties during the vacancy."

"An act relating to the office of and who use the reads, rather than in in the interests of those who pay for wherin'' was passed by the legislature in the interests of the political party 1896, but not the slightest change was which happens to hold provincial made in regard to the time or period power. of the appointment

But even if The Standard, for once. had been correct in its statement in SHERIFFS SHOULD BE PER-

this regard, the practice which Mr. Horen is pursuing would have been

made none the better. The temporary' There will be ground for complaint | Canadian spirits, 3.927,312 gallons; imappointment system, tending to keep against sheriffs playing the partisan the sheriiffs under the party lash, is so long as this important office is adian mait liquors, 38,80°, 380 gallons, improper in theory and vicious in remade a plaything of party politics and imported malt liquors, 1,096,256 galsults. Sheriffs, like judges, should be the party whip held always over the tors; wines, 1,\$35,235 gallons; total, \$7 independent of political indusnee. Their heads of its occupants. A sheriff, like 337,661 galions. Estimators of prices appointments should be permanent a judge, should be free from political and, no matter where the present syscontrol. tem originated, it is Mr. Hasen's duty should be made permanent. The pres- liquors, .79; imported malt liquois, \$2; and privilege to make these ro.

than another. Income or property tax When Dr. Pugsley is the object of ation naturally varies with the amount attack, Mr. Hazen and his Conservaof income or property possessed by the tive accomplices darken the air with taxpayer; but the poll tax is a tax "vague rumors and slanders," but perupon the man himself and no governsistently decline to make "a single ment has the right to say that one man is worth more or less than any other. tigate every rumor and malicious re-We appeal to the Common Council

in the name of common justice to report that might be in circulation.' pudiate this iniquitous provision. The city will gain. rather than lose financially by the Council's refusal to sanction this discrimination. If the poll tax is made uniform, with the proposed tion of the stand taken by Dr. Pugs-\$300 exemption, as it should be, many ley and his federal colleagues in meetmen will contribute this amount to ing the attack. the treasury for the privilege of voting

We cannot and do not defend the who cannot afford to pay their taxes methods used to discredit Sheriff Stewnow and who could not afford to pay art; but Mr. Hazen is the last man in the \$5 poll tax proposed in the amend-Canada to protest against them. ed bill, and the city's receipts will not ---be impaired. The City Chamberlain,

whom we quote elsewhere, is opposed THE HIGHWAY BILL o the \$5 poll tax. Its only excuse is The provincial opposition have done the fact that it was inserted as a comwisely in not following the example of promise agreed upon at a conference where the men affected were not represented. For decency's sake cut it out

# THE TWO ROAD POLICIES

in amending the new highway bill as far as they could and in placing them-That under the provincial Highway selves on record against the objectionct the secretary-treasurers of the disable features which the government trict highway boards should be apwas evidently determined to force pointed by the Municipal Councils; That the provincial grant for each funds and organization, there was not tion, "Abdul the Damned"-tell hi The people know now where both parounty should be handed over to the ties stand-know that the Liberals are county Councils for distribution:

shall endure.

MANENT

of the bill.

pledged to a policy of municipal home That the road tax should be \$1 per ber for St. John to stand up for the in- statesmanship has saved him thus far ead and 12 cents on each \$100 of property: That 5 per cent. discount should be

ome rule for highways; the govern

ment for political control of road

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CANADA'S DRINK BILL

Canada's drink bill for the last fiscal

year amounted to nearly seventy-seven

millions of dollars. During the year

ending March 31, 1908, there were

taken out of bond for consumption.

ported spirits, 2,127,878 sallons; Can-

; aid sec, per section. Canadam spirite.

moneys and for the patronage list.

keep before the public-notwithstand- tians massacred by his myrmidons in ing the indifference of the Common recent years he has played the jealousy llowed for cash payment of road Council and the negative of the legis- of the individual powers against the taxes: That the new Highway, Act should lature-the fair and just principle that wrath of the world and has won free ot apply to St. John county, which a poll tax should be imposed equally dom from outside interference. But in has run its own roads for years to the pon all classes; that the payment of endeavoring to play Mahometan fanomplete satisfaction of its residentsaticism against the rising tide of con the poll tax should carry with it the These amendments to the highway voting franchise; and that there should stitutional desire in his own country he ill moved in the legislature yesterday has over-reached hmself. be no taxation upon incomes insuffiset forth the opposition's road policy. bowed to the inevitable and accepted

cient or barely sufficient to support the Their defeat in every instance sets wage earner and his family in decency orth the government's policy. monarch he and in reasonable comfort. The opposition stands for municipal -----

rests of the poor man.

### A GOVERNMENT OF FASE PRETENSES

The electors of New Brunswick will Christian massacres deliberately do well to keep these things in close At 11.40 last night The Sun received from the official reporter of the legis-lature the following report of Mr. counter revolution which, temporarily, oritas in the city of Maxico where Mr. remembrance while they watch the operation of the Hazen Highway Act uring such time as this government Copp's motion of censure for the Hasuccessful, has rebounded and swept zen government and of the debate him in ignominy from his place and

power hereoon Mr. Copp, in moving his resolu-It is ironically fitting that the Sultion, spoke at some length and was followed by Mr. Byrne. That was all-every line, though Mr. 1 of his offenses against humanity have at 9.45 and both he and his seconder church. The fundamental laws of the had completed before midnight two of Ottoman Empire are based upon the

must rule according to these. Conse-quently his power, though neminally speeches of the session. The Sun has not joined in the prevalent complaint over the unfairness absolute, is subordinate to that of the and inadequacy of the official reports religious authority in the person of the for the purchase of eight, thousand wont out this session, believing heretofore that Mr. Hubbard was honest and that the frequent inefficiency of the Young Turk party. This power of property is now owned by Charles his criticism, of the opposition was To that end his position to be seen and the incomacity of the found for the position was last invoked Keefe, of Vanceboro, and it is likely and policical malice of his assistant. to the advantage of the ruler who now that the deal will be through tomorent system of yearly appointments is | wines, \$5; these being average of shop Dut this refused De give fair pub- suffers by it. Marad V. his predeces- row

hat his heart really belonged to his first wife. This was the French woman That was just a month ago. Today on to insist on the imposition of a \$5 Mr. Burchill denounces the governhe cast aside for an affinity. The affinity had Earle arrested for beating ment, not only for its unjust partisan her, and finally began suit to have her allowed to escape with \$2? What rea- Mulkin, but broadly intimates that the treatemnt of Factory Inspector Mcmarriage annulled on the ground that he had not been divorced from his Husband of Former Mrs. Stettransaction involving Mr. McMulkin's dismissal was not only partisan but

wife. Earle's attempts to see his wife were son Runs Machine Into all thwarted. He had not even succeed ed in discovering her retreat. He seem ed much cast down, and Thursday PHILADELPHIA, April 27.-Rather gave up all hope of effecting a recon-

than run down a woman and two iliation and decided to go back to children who crossed York road in New York. front of his motor car, Count Santa "I will sail on the Potsdam." he dequality. And though the lines have named but has convicted itself in his Eulalia, who last summer married Mrs. clared, "as there is nothing for me to John R. Stetson, widow of the milliondo here.' aire hat manufacturer, deliberately When it was suggested that he might

ran his automobile into a lamppost make up with his affinity wife, Earle yesterday morning and demolished the replied: car. "I think not. Strangely enough, my

The count's action saved the woman love for her has vanished. I don't seem and children from injury, but the quick to have any luck in love anyway." turn of the car put his life in danger. His former father-in-law says that He escaped uninjured. Earle has changed greatly for the Count Eulalia was driving his car to worse since his affinity experience, and

the Stetson country home, "Idro," in added Ashbourne, on his way home from the "He does not.seem to have any man Roman Catholic Church of the Immaood left. The sooner he goes back, culate Conception, in Jenkinstown, the better pleased we shall be.'

er presence from the world of statewhere he had attended mass. He was alone. Just as he neared Cedar street,



ed into the lamppost, snapping it as though it was made of glass. To a crowd of spectators who con-Her Husband was Indiscreet gratulated the count on his bravery,

With Senoritas in Mexico

SECRECY PLANNED OPPOSITION IS

CHICAGO, April 27 .- Mrs. "Ash Newell, who, with her husband has the puppet position of a constitutional might have held his been a prominent figure in Chicago's throne. But, jealous of the proposed | smart society for fifteen years or more usurpation of his despotic powers by was granted a divorce last Tuesday. an elected parliament ,he conspired It took just twenty minutes for Mrs. with the reactionary autocracy of his Newell to obtain the legal separation realm, fomented by bribes and by after the court had been informed of certain alleged indiscretions on the

MacDonald, who resumed the discuscounter revolution which, temporarily, oritas in the city of Mexico, where Mr. sion in the house this afternoon when he pointed out that with all their crit-Newell now resides. icism they had suggested no specific The divorce was obtained under cir change which would indicate the excurstances that were planned to inistence in the party of any definite sure secrecy. The information leaked tan's deposition comes at the hands of out yesterday. Mr. Newell, who is the tariff policy. They had talked about the institution in whose name the bulk son of the late John Newell, president the national policy and they had criti-

cised steel bounties. They had lamentof the Lake Shore and Michigan Southbeen committed - the Mahometan ern Railway, is a division superintended the decline in the woollen industry ent for the Mexican Central Railway. and by inference, and in one case expressly, had condemned British preference. There had been a demand for FREDERICTON, April 27 .- A. L. the removal of Jerman surtax and umbert and James Friedman, of sneers at French trade, and over all Houlton, are here today negotiating the gloom of a pessimism as to Canada's present condition and outlook. Sheik-ul-Islam, the head of the church acres of timber land in the parishes Mr. MacDonald is one of the most whose power has now been invoked by of McAdam and North Lake. The attractive speakers in the house and pungent and effective as his defense of the government's financial and

# TO SAVE THREE LIVES

SACKVILLE, April 24-In spite the downpour of rain Friday evening' graduating recital at the Mount Alli son Conservatory of Music was at tended by an audience which fille even the extra seats provided an which listened with intense pleasur to each number of the programme ren dered by Miss Edna M. Baker, Toronto, vocalist, and Miss Hilda Haw ker, daughter of Mr. W. W. Hawker St. John, planist. Both young ladie acquitted themselves most creditably A particularly pleasing number wa the Lullaby from Godard's Jocely sung by Miss Baker with violin obli

gato by Miss Cladie Smith, of Sack Next Friday evening a recital wi be given by two more of the graduates Miss Margaret Cameron, of Sackville and Miss Jessie Allen, of Baie Verte They will be assisted by Miss Maze Hughes, of Charlottetown, reader, an Mr. Robert L. Stalling, of St. John vocalist.

On Friday, May 7th, Miss Glady L. Dixon, of Sackville, and Miss Alic M. Boyer, of Hartland, will give the graduating plano recital. They will b assisted by Miss Florence Robb, a Amherst, violinist, and Miss Nelli Killam of Yarmouth, vocalist. In the past few days the students of Mount Allison University have elected

a number of their officers for the nex Right

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