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THE Quebec Telegraph is very angry with Mr. John Hearn, M L.C., because he has stated in the Committee of Privileges at Ottawa that he would now place little credence on the statements of Mr. R. McGreevy, But who would? When a bulk of the carrying in connection with man confesses to having virtually com- the traffic. We hope to see the various mitted perjury, albeit merely as a lines of steamers announcing their proexpect to have his credibility discount- ways should do the same. The Canada ed. The whole affair is discreditable Pacific, with its superb facilities for is is surely monstrous to suggest that business is dragged into it the better.

ganization in the economy of the Civil in these regions. Settlement would be dulged in, the mundane subject of her course by the minister-the Post- be delayed. Although the Exhibition is do much harm. If true, the Minister she worked, are so extraordinary that it preliminaries should be arranged as soon purpose has forfeited his seat and is sifted and the guilty, whoever they may ence between the civic authorities, lead- Turgeon will promptly deny this serious be, punished. This is apparently noting citizens and managers of the various statement, which, as we have said, is to mere case of carelessness or abuse of ravigation and railway companies, at the hoped has its origin only in most exoffice by a head of a department or upper, which the first steps necessary could treme partisanship. clerk. In other scandals that have come belsurely be arranged. to light this appears to have been the case, and the offences committed have. Quents, if one of its newspapers is any generally lain beyond the knowledge of indication, lashes itself into a fury if the the ministers. Prompt justice must be opinion be expressed in Montreal that done in order to vindicate the honor of there is no immediate necessity for the the country and to clear the public construction of the proposed St. Lawarena of the set of vampires who have rence bridge. The Witness, having been abusing their positions and fatten-estated that the "wise determination" of ing on the confidence of the nation. The time Government not to grant any subpunishment should be in due proportion sidy this session for the proposed bridge to the crimes, no matter who may be the is to be felicitated, and that neither person punished.

out her host in approaching Russia in ; connection with the threefold alliance. As against the combination it is manifest that Russia is helpless even in alliance with France, and if the latter! thinks that such an alliance will help her as against England in Egypt she is he thus impeded, and there should cerstill more mistaken. Russia cannot at " tainly be no bridges over the St. Lawpresent, nor for a long while, undertake " rence east of Montreal. Neither the railways, her cumbrous forces are by no |" would make tair return upon the capimeans well mobilized, and above all she | " tal necessary for its construction," has has no money. In Asia she could do roused the ire of the Quebec Telegraph, nothing against India, for the strategy (which, of course, attributes the objection of Great Britain in the acquisition of to the "selfishness and jealousy of Mont-Cyprus and her diplomatic relations real." But this is the sheerest nonsense, with Persia lays the flank of any aggres- In the matter of navigation there is the sive Russian movement bare, while the greatest objection to the construction of front, on the Hindoo Koosh, is well pro-both the bridges under discussion, but vided for. Dependence on the Sultan to into this question it is not at present interfere in Egypt is a straw at which necessary to enter. But Quebec, it France may catch, but experience has seems to us, has to advance much shown that in Oriental diplomacy Eng-(stronger arguments than any heretefore land usually comes out at the top. The placed on record before the public will ber stood up and acknowledged that he Turk knows his best friend, and he has be prepared to concur in the absolute had ample proof that Russia is not that necessity of the proposed bridge. It best friend. It is to be regretted that might enable a certain amount of traffic France should be found pursuing a policy to be carried past the city, but beyond which may endanger the peace of Europe | the noise of the passing trains little else and bring on herself a repetition of the would result. The trade of Quebec is and events of 1870, but on a scale which not increasing and the construction of a in the odor of sanctity amongst his own it is unpleasant to speculate on. She bridge would not aid it. We wish it should remember that it was the inter- would, because any advancement in the vention of England that prevented Biscommerce of the lower port must necessitive countenance of the rountenance of the fouring the castigation administered by mark then putting into execution his sarily be followed by a proportionate inscheme for "placing France in chains crease in Montreal. If Quebec could for fifty years." But probably gravitude | double its trade Montreal would quadruis not a national, any more than an in- ple hers. But trade cannot be forced still in progress. Mr. McGreevy has dedividual, quality.

to testify before the Senate Committee, build them first, in the expectation of as to the alleged frauds in connection their bringing commerce with them, for not giving information with regard with the Baie de Chaleurs Railway, is | would be merely an act of folly. certainly exceedingly suspicious. But at the same time these people are guilty A MONSTROUS PROPOSITION. of "contempt" of the High Court of Parliament and unless the latter takes measures to assert, and maintain, its tages, and one of these is the terrible rights it will perhaps be deemed by the rancour which at times it engenders. public to be indifferent to the frauds al- But it must be confessed that this is not leged to have been committed by the by any means a necessary ingredient in people named and, as supposed, implicat- the general composition of the system, ed in the transaction. Just at present and it is regrettable that at timesfaction the people of Canada are not in a mood should usurp the place of party, and to tolerate any temporising or trifling ventumous and captious criticism, of in connection with political scoundrel- more or less untrutiful bias and vindicism. They have of late had an unplea- tive shade, take the place which should sant cupful and do not find it at all a be occupied by dignified criticism of palatable dose. They are not disposed to men and measures. We are led to these submit to trifling from the "rascals" reflections by a rumor which is so aswho one side say must be "turned out" tounding that it seems hard to believe any more than the "rascals" who are that it has any other foundation than Railway matter for the incorporation of worship of the goddess of liberty, and Dame de Quebec were \$3,000,460, against hesitating at no crime in the political ca- that of partisan feeling and a bad wish the new company has been the occasion now, out of the surating steam and assets of \$3,446.880

nate Committee on the Baie de Chaleurs power to compel them, and if it does not assembly guilty of, to use the mildest to conserve.

It was not a bad idea for the Montreal Gity Council to pass, as it did, a resolution of congratulation on the occasion of the selection of the city of Chicago as the site for the World's Fair in honor of Columbus' discovery. For with due energy that selection may be made in Montreal and Canada as to Chicago. It may reasonably be expected that there will be a large influx of people from Europe and also a large volume of will certainly be an immense amount of passenger traffic from the Eastern States of the Union. In all these cases there is nothing to prevent Canadian railways and Canadian shipping obtaining the 'formal statement,' he must in all reason grammes as soon as possible. The railcated a degree of recklessness and disor- of inspecting our marvellous resources ently sincere sentiment was being in-Service which is discreditable in the ex- aided and many strangers go away with "commission" was running through the treme. The circumstances connected a knowledge of Canada that would prove Minister's brain. Now that the rumor with the case of a Miss Craig, who it most valuable abroad. Montreal ought is talked of on the streets it is to be seems has been absent half her accredit- to take the initiative in the matter, and hoped it will speedily receive its quietus. ed time, and yet evidently supported in we are of opinion that action should not because it is clear that it is calculated to master-General-in whose department not immediate the time is short and the who would use his position for such a will be culpable if they are not thoroughly as possible. We would advise a confer-open to impeachment. No doubt Father

the Quebec bridge nor the proposed " high level bridge at this city, both of FRANCE is probably calculating with- "which will span the St. Lawrence be-"tween Montreal harbor and the sea, should ever be constructed, as such " bridges undoubtedly endanger and im-"pede navigation. No great natural " routes of sea-going vessels are allowed "by the Governments interested to be " Quebec bridge nor the Montreal bridge into existence by a poon-feeding. It will clined to produce certain receipts and guide them at different times. Hence be time to build wharves and bridges give evidence regarding the disposal of

Party government has its disadvan-

ground that the Premier took in his which would be to the honor of the out of Mr. John P. Whelan. Province of Quebec. We (the Government) do not claim the honor for ourselves, but are prepared to leave all the advantage to the Legislature. All

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

During the past week the logislators t Ottawa have not made much progress towards bringing their labors to a close. A debate on Mr. Desjardins' amendment lasted for several hours, and the Government was sustained in adhering to the policy of Canada for the Canadians. The only motion of non-confidence was that of Mr. Charlton, M.P., of Equal Rights fame. It had reference to the old and time-worn subject of timber limits. The discussion was very animated whilst it lasted. Mr. Charlton is not likely to forget the session of 1891. Sir John Thompson undertook to handle the great moralist, and did so without gloves. Never in the Parliamentary history of Canada did any member of Parliament present so pitiable a spectacle as Mr. Charlton during the whole hour occupied by the Minister of Justice in laying the facts before the House. Having dealt with the general question, which has no interest, except as a matter of history, in the administration of the Department of the Interior, he proceeded to criticize the conduct of Mr. Charlton made and the attidavit he had published broadcast to injure a fellow-member. Dr. Hickey, then M.P. for Dundas. The arrant hypocrisy and untruthfulness of Mr. Chariton were set forth in scathing language. Fact was piled upon fact and argument upon argument by the Minishiroself was a supplicant for the favors which he denounced others for having solicited, but so utterly crushed was beunder the argument upon his unwarrantable affidavit that he could not find friends, and the comical expression on the countenance of the Hon, David Mills Sir John Thompson was a real study.

The Tarte-McGreevy investigation is poses. There may be some justification to any private funds that may have been committed to his charge as treasurer, but there can be no excuse for not making a clear bresst of all concerning the monies advanced by Larkin, Connolly & Co., public contractors. We are sorry Mr. McGreevy has not straightforwardly given the whole history of his transaction. As we go to press the Hon. Sir Hector Langevin is about to be Public Works in connection with the Quebec Harbor improvements and his dealings with the Hon. Thomas Mc-Greevy in the original company of La Baie de Chaleurs Railway.

lendar to "get in." If the witnesses who fathering the bad thought. It is that of bringing to the surface some of the stench created by this new devil-worship, have defaulted in the matter of the Se- the Premier of the Province has had a dark ways of the Local Government of come cries of disgust and despair. For, dispute with the Jesuit Fathers on act the Province of Quebec. No one in under the specious name of liberty. railway do not attend, Parliament has count of an alleged commission which | Montreal is surprised at the disclosures was to have been paid him on the that are being made, but they may cause do so the public will possibly hold that amount obtained for the now famous some people to open their eyes in other settlement of the affairs of the Order. parts of the Province. It is charged terms, serious neglect of duty to their This is surely so incredible that the that not less than \$100,000 of public country, whose interests they are sworn rumor can only be attributed to bitter monies to be directed to railway purpartisanship. We all know the high poses were diverted into the pockets of local politicians to secure the triumph dealings with this subject. It was, as he of the Mercier Cabinet at the last local stated, at the somewhat histrionic and | elections. The promoters of the Bill al affected ceremonial at the payment of most pleaded guilty to the charges by the amounts awarded at the Government | their attempt to withdraw the measure. | mist, that the divinity of their adoration house, the crowning act of his life, the but that would not be allowed, and Mr. one in which he took the greatest pride Barwick, of Toronto, has the manage- golden calf set up by the purblind, idolaand claimed to be the noblest and most ment of the case before the Railway degree as valuable and profitable to honorable in his career. In the Cham- Committee of the Senate, where witnesses ber he was quite as emphatic. He told are to be examined on oath, and as usual the members, in the brief debate on the | the name of Mr. Pacaud is in the list of same vile spirit of evil in another form question, that he trusted the measure | those to be examined. It is to be hoped | within the shadow of the Church of God. would meet with no opposition, as it was his evidence will be more satisfactory freight in the form of exhibits. There one "just and equitable, not one of than that given before the Royal Com-

THE LANGEVIN ENQUIRY.

appears :--

"It is understood that Sir Hector ! that it was his duty to Parliament, the Covernment and the Committee. If this is true, Sir Hector Langevin is in constitutional precedent, even to a degree really unnecessary under existday may come that his accusers will realize how unjust have been the tactics resorted to in attempting to destroy one who for twenty-five years was the official colleague of his leader, the Right Hon, Sir John Mac donald. We deplore the fact that he has been placed in a position reflective

of discredit, but the end is not vet." given a direct denial to the charges imperfect civilization. On the contrary, made in which he has been concerned, they see that with the spread of the His statement is too long to reprint in I spirit of this age goes a decay of morals. this week's issue of the TRUE WITNESS, for the Cestre of gain is the poison it It is simply a question of veracity, and, a spreads everywhere. These men also see as compared with accusor and defender, that the modern thought, with which the the public will not be long in making up its mind.

"THE ROCK OF AGES."

During this nineteenth century the world has learned many things, and on the ruins of suppressed religious now, towards its close, it is beginning to houses and the bloody horrors of the sounlearn some other things. Among called Reformation, and which has suc- N. Perrault, received the French officers these the science of criticism, pushed ceeded at last in bringing its votaries other public and private hospitalities with the fearlessness of an uncompromis- face to face with a hopeless materialism were extended to the visitors, ing scepticism, has developed nothing whose last words of final farewell are as more surprising to some people than the of one perishing in the sea at midnightlight it has thrown on the position of the blind fate and annihilation! Catholic Church in the world and its attitude towards the various phases of in sin, and the wretchedness of which sin secular civilization through which man- is the parent, rises the bow of promise. in which those items appear: To Mother kind has passed during the nineteen centuries since the glad tidings of redempto criticize the conduct of Mr. Charlton tion and salvation were heard among the signs are increasing of a return to the Benedictine and another a Jesuit—\$8,000 i hills of Galilee.

Expecting, perhaps hoping, that their symetry of Catholicity must be admitted. The fact that in no country was the powers of this world, and furthermore, dawn. that its history has been the record of a continuous contest against those powers. is only a proof that at all times and in countries the Church has not varied its now on a visit to his father previous to attitude in dealing with the ambitious, his going to India to take a position in the follies, the vices of men, as well as the civil service, which he secured in with their errors, relapses and retragres Open competition with one on the H. M. S. training ship Conway at Liversions. Throughout the ages the church has pool, Eng. Besides securing the Indian had but one standard of conduct, while appointment he won the Queen's gold men who deemed themselves learned, wise and capable of ruling and of giving judgment, have had various standards to up other standards of right than those infallibly and forever fixed by Christ when he founded that Church.

seriousness to ask the question,-"What is there, after all, in this vaunted nineteenth century civilization, progress and enlightenment?"-the answer, which admits of no evasion, is at once a revelation and a rebuke. Political liberty has been proclaimed far and wide. In the form of a goddess statues have been raiscalled to testify on oath as to the line of ed in its honor on three continents. conduct pursued by him as Minister of Neither the greatest nor the last of the false duties raised by the hands of man is this goddess, at whose aptheosis the best blood of Europe was poured in a torrent of libations on scaffold and battlefield, A century-a whole hundred years-has passed during which the people of the A Bill before the Senate in the same | western nations have been devoted to the

might makes right, the strong trample on the weak. Virtue, goodness, honesty, God-fearing, are forgotten as no longer essential to success,-that bastard offspring of the false goddess men have been worshipping these hundred years. Looking upward, too, out of the mediate stations, as well as in Foot Or mediate stations, as well as in Foot Or mediate stations, as well as in Foot Or mediate stations. depths of the degradation to which this worship has reduced them, men who have not been wholly blinded by its tartarian incense behold, through the lurid bears an extraordinary likeness to the trous children of Israel under the shadow of Saini, even as the disobedient idolators of this nineteenth century worship the

To one who stands apart from the hideous strife and contemplates the solemn, party. It is a great act of reparation mission regarding the monies squeezed majestic, changeless attitude of that Ciurch throughout the ages, and reviews the dismal procession of human crime and folly pouring its noisy, noisome flood before its gates The latest report from Ottawa is to the in seemingly endless misery - the those who will have contributed to the effect that Sir Hector Langevin resigned stapidity, the ignorance of those who deadoption of this measure partake with his portfolio preparatory to making a mand that the Church shall reconcile itus in the glory of having settled one of statement before the Committee of Pri- self to the requirements of modern the most difficult of questions." Now vileges and Elections. It is somewhat thought, become grotesquely glaring, comical to learn this fact first from that | To those who make this demand let it be and disgraceful and the less side-show travel, could, in connection with its these elevated sentiments were expressed now clearly exposed sink of political ini- said-" wait awhite. Those are not the traffic to and from the Exhibition, do at a time when the settlement of this quity, Ottawa. In the columns of the trate modern days. By and bye, all in Canada much good by offering cheap "most difficult question" was with the Ottawa Citizen, a journal well known | good time, when the thoughts of men THE proceedings before the Public Act transport to the North-West and West, settler a matter of brokerage, and that both as to itself and its control, the foil shall have been sufficiently widened by counts Committee this week have indi- and thus afford tourists an opportunity while all the force of oratory and appar- lowing, which borders on the farcical, the process of the suns, the Church will be reconciled to the world."

> But this country of humbugs, with its Langevin has tendered his resignation talse fads of competition and capitalism, as a Minster of the Crown, considering hits tolerated system of sublimated selfishness, its sordid ignoble warfare of human atoms.-the holy, the serene, the unwhat his friends always hought him, changeable Church, can make no a chivalrous and high-minded believer compromise. Could it do so, it would not be what it is. It circumstances. Though Sir Hecter would perish utterly from the earth. Langevin's enemies triumph, it would and let him who can imagine what the be but a Cadmaen victory, for the earth would be without the Catholic exhibition company offer prizes for Canadav may come that his accusers

> Men are beginning to see and understand these things, and, as a result, are long manes, good knee action, round coming to regard the Catholic Church in | quarters and general hardnes of constitua far more bumble and reverent manner! than they formerly did. They see the atter absurdity of claiming scientific per- of this useful class of horse should be er-Sir Hector Langevin, it appears, has fection for a passing phase of an infinitely contraged, and it is probable that some Church has been asked to reconcile itself. took its rise when the large, kindly, altrustic spirit of the ages of faith had been driven from the hearts of men by the cruel, soulless Philistinism which rose

But over this miserable world " Behold, I am with you!"

In the higher literature of the day the Marysville, in St. Louis, \$2,000, and to his simplicity, the unscitishness, of a former each. The remainder of his large fortune day. But, chastened by a larger knowresearches would contirm the conclusions ledge and a truck perception of religion charitable institutions. His son, Thomas of those who condemned and denounced and history, the better minds now strivthe Catholic Church, those sceptical ing to be heard will lead the people away students of history have pursued their from the worship of false gods, and this British navy, and the other the wife of investigations to a point where the divine | soudid age will pass away. Remembered | the Governor of Nova Scotia. What a it will be hereafter as among the darkest | proud record !- United Canada. of the dark ages, as the darkest hour of Church ever in perfect accord with the bright is that which comes before the

More Honors for Canadians.

Regina'd Curran, son of Rev. C. Curran, a protestant minister of Montreal, is the civil service, which he secured in open competition while on board H. M. S. training ship Conway at Livermedal and £40 in prizes.

the impossibility of agreement between plans for the improvements of the Corn-The behavior of certain persons, called when the trade demands them. To funds entrusted to him for election pursection of the canal opposite Sheek's island it is proposed to dam the river both at the head and foot of the island. This, if adopted, will give a depth of 30 But now, when men have come in sad feet of water and will render needless the that there is room for what Mr. Mercler deepening of that section of the canal, generally calls a reasonable commiswhich is that in which the bad break occurred last season. The proposal is now under consideration by the Government.

National Finances.

The statement of revenue and expenditure for the month of July shows revenue of \$2,528,601 and expenditure of \$2,345,027. The expenditure on account consolidated fund for the month was \$57,824. The public debt at the end of the month was \$237,025,851, an increase of \$3,495,629.

Sayings Banks Finances.

The return of the Montreal City and District Savings Banks for July shows liabilities of \$8,520,486 and assets of \$9,604,200. On the same date the liabi-

THE FALL EXHIBITION. Special Facilities To be Offered Byth Railways.

Information has been received into both the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific railways that special rates will be made for visitors to Montreal during the Exhibition. Return tickets will the Exhibition. return any day up to and including September 26. Judges and exhibitons can obtain return tickets at one way first class fare from any station in Canada from September 14th to 25th, available to return till September 29th, on presentation of certificate, signed by the secre tary of the exhibition. Special excursions have been arranged by the Grand Trank from stations east of Montreal on September 22 and 24, and by the Cana-September 22 and 27, and by the Canadian Pacific railway for September 21 and 23; and from stations west of Montreal on September 21 and 23, by the Grand Trunk, and on September 22 and 24, by the Canadian Pacific railway. The whole of these tickets will also hold good till September 26. Special rates will be also granted to the various cadet corps to enable them to attend the special parade which it is proposed to hold during the exhibition. It will be thusseen that the facilities granted by the railway companies are of such a nature that the residents in the various surrounting towns will have every opportunity of visiting the Montreal exhibition. Arrangements are being made for advantages of a similar kind to be given by the boat compa-

Intending exhibitors should bear in mind that the date for sending in entry forms for exhibits of machinery, agricultural implements, manufactures and the industrial department generally closes Saturday, 15th instant. The number of entries already received is very large, far exceeding the most sanguine expects. tions of the promoters, whilst the large demand upon the limited space at the command of directors makes it more important that there should be no delay in making entries.

Class IN, in the prize list issued by the was formerly known as the French-Cangdian and is characterized by Arab heads, tion being the descendants of early importations from Brittany and Normandy. It is specially desirable that the breeding very time specimens from Lake St. John and other districts will be exhibited.

A French Visitor.

The French Gunboat Bisson arrived in Montreal on Friday last and will remain about ten days. Her length is about 180 feet, breadth 24 feet and depth of hold 21 feet. She carries four guns and six Hotchkiss, and a crew of 120 men. She is a wooden vessel, copper keeled, and has a speed of about twelve knots. Her burden is 900 tons. Acting Mayor Shorey, Aid. Rolland, Ald. Villeneuve and Mr. Schwob, the French consuit, and Mr. J. in the mayor's chambers, and various

A Representative Man.

That grand old Catholic Sir Edward Kenny, in whose veins there never coured a drop of bigoted blood, and who died quite recently at Halifax, left a will Kenny of the Sacred Heart Convent of was divided among his children and C. Kenny, is a member of the Canadian Parliament. Mother Kenny has two sisers, one the wife of Admiral Fane of the

Strange Expenditure.

Referring to the recent purchase of land for the construction of a new gaol, at Sault au Rocollet, La Minerve says : The brother of Count Mercier has just bought for the Government, at a cost of \$19,000, a farm at Sault au Recollet, which was sold for \$7,000 a few years ago An adjoining farm, valued at \$4,000 by same subject, Le Monde says that it is happy to see such an extraordinary increase in the value of real estate in the province, which is the strongest possible A proposal has been made to the Government which may materially alter the plans for the improvements of the Corner tearthy decreases the strongest position of the complaints of Mr. Mere cier, and Sir Richard Cartwright, who have been elamoring for the last ten plans for the improvements of the Corner tearthy decreases the value of real stantly decressing the value of real estate. "But," it adds, "we really do not believe that the value of real estate at Sault au Re collet has increased so con siderably since 1884. Between the real value and the purchase price, we find

Oriental Visitors.

sion."

Capt. O'Hagan of the steamship Osmanli has on board his boat two pretty little pets. They are gazelles from Persia, graceful and hardly the size of a greyhound. They have quarters assigned to them on the boat, and live there as if they had always been accustomed to it. About four months ago the Osmanli was at Bussorah, up the Euphrates, in Pesia, and the captain was presented with these gazelles by the governor of the town. There were originally three, but one was washed overboard on the

Great art is nothing else than the type of strong and noble life.

Invariably speak the truth even when you are aware of its being disagreeable.