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SAINT JOHN, TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 25, 1909.

HISTORY AND THE LOYALISTS.

There is sound teaching in Mr. McCaskill's sermon the Spirit of the Loyalists, setting forth that the man who dares all and gives all for what he believes to be right is the true man, even though he may be mistaken in his judgment. From this point of view the Loyalists were vorthy, and not less so if they were "mistaken enthudasts" as Mr. McCaskill's rather dogmatic interpretation

he verdict of history represents them.

We do not find that history gives such a verdict. preacher refers to British public men of the time ding the cause of the revolutionists, and men ns Goldwin Smith and Sir George Trevelyan as teach

THE ENGLISH PANIC.

been rebuking England for her war scare, and the frenzied fear of Germany. University President Butler condemns the two-power standard policy of Britain, and observes that aerial navigation abolishes islands. This shows that Dr. Butler is quite up to date. If airships are to be taken into account the whole war programme must be The British scare is taken more seriously outside

of Britain than at home. It has been the fashion for two generations in England to explain how easily the coun-

THE MILITIA CANTEEN.

The strict prohibition of the sale of liquor in the strict prohibition of the sale of liquor in the strict amps is of course unsatisfactory to certain ers and men. There is a certain mystery about the teen system, or whatever has taken its place in or not the Canadian camps. Year after year the Minha informed Parliament that there is no canteen. like the Bar in the House of Commons which is its "abolished," while the regular sale of liquor for the Hazen Government? It is a good administration, and the electors of the parishes ought to support it.

The records register quite different instructions.

The Telegraph seems to be shocked with the discovery that Mr. Mayes has acquired shares in the Bank of New Brunswick. Apparently the proprietors of that I have a surprised and grieved at their own moderation in not taking more than \$35,933 out of the dredging contract.

What's the matter with capturing St. John County for the Hazen Government? It is a good administration, and the electors of the parishes ought to support it.

where fiquor is dispensed would be missed by some the men in uniform.

But there must be a much larger number of volunteers who will be glad to get rid of it. Without doubt the great army of Canadian people will be better satisfied if the prohibition is established and rigidly enforced. In a large part of Canada the sale of liquor is legally prohibited. All the camps in the Maritime Provinces, and some of those in the Upper and Western Provinces, are held in these prohibition areas. If we grant that a the sale of liquor to the militia ought to be authorized at any camp, it would certainly not be fitting to allow it in those parts of the country where the traffic is forbidden by Federal or Provincial statute. The Government ought above all things to be a respecter of law, and the Militia Department should be the first to stand up for order and obedience.

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But even where there is no prohibition under the Scott Act or local option, there should be prohibition in the militia camps. The ranks are filled with young men, many of them just out of school. Thousands go into camp from country districts every year for the first time. They come from farms in quiet places where they have hardly known the temptation to drink, with habits not yet formed. With unusual freedom from restraint, and with the temptation presented in its most attractive form they are exposed to risks that should be avoided. Most fathers and mothers are glad to have their sons trained to defend their country, but they have a right to ask that the state which they desire to protect should protect the lads from influences which will injure them both as citizens and as soldiers.

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It is pleaded that liquor will be sold and used by th men in camp, and that if it is not sold under regulation in camp, it will be obtained without limit as to qua or guarantee as to quality outside in illegal places. argument does not speak well for the condition and discipline of the militia. If the volunteers cannot be kept under this much restraint for two weeks in camp there ing that the colonists "fought the battle of English liberty." Goldwin Smith and Sir George Trevelyan as teaching that the colonists "fought the battle of English liberty." Goldwin Smith may have said this much, but he
is certainly unsparing in his discussion of the motives
of some of the Fathers of their Country. Trevelyan, us
ually an interesting writer, but seldom authoritative, in
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dullness, and throws little new light on the revolution
controversies. ontroversies.

It can hardly be said that history has delivered a remedies. Many of the camps are so situated that this cannot happen, and for the rest it would be possible to meet the evil in another way than by the Government the declaration and war of independence were unnecessary

It can hardly be said that history has delivered a verdict on the conduct of the Loyalists, but there is at the declaration and var of independence were unnecessary to right any wrong done or meditated, if a large part in Sugland, led by the greatest statesmen of the time were in Sugland, led by the greatest statesmen of the time were in support the Loyalist opinion that all wrongs could be righted within the Empires.

We must not confuse the merits of the colonial grievances with the merits of the revolt and declaration of independence, Thousands of Loyalists were opposed to the stamp Act and the other taxes. They were with the revolutionists in demands, some of them successary that separation. They accepted in good faith, so long as they could, the solemn declarations of revolutionary leaders, that separation was not in their minds. But they fused to make their quarrel with a British administration a cause of war and separation. They were to then what Franklin and other leaders declared themselves to be at the beginning.

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The anneal to the judgment

Complicated political questions, fine judgment, remarkcomplicated political questions, fine judgment, remarkideal wife and mother, a gracious and kindly lady, a just ruler and a humble and devout Christian. Between now At the Mohonk Peace Conference the delegates have and next Empire Day we commend to all the Queen's nebuking England for her war scare, and the frenzied letters. They are more entrancing than a novel to any or of Germany. University President Butler condemns

SLIGHTLY EXAGGERATED

The Boston Transcript is an exceedingly well edited journal, but its sources of information are not always fully reliable. Speaking of Dreadnoughts, the Transcript

of Britain than at home. It has been the fashion for two generations in England to explain how easily the country could be conquered. The Battle of Dorking is one of the old stories, and there were others before it, so that "An Englishman's Home" is no novelty. These are parables to make the people of Britain consider questions of defence.

There are strange contradictions in the English disposition and mood. They are not the stolid people which the French and Americans sometimes represent them. They get up wonderful demonstrations at Hyde Park and in the streets. They achieve more noise and Byectacles than any other country out of woman suffrage agitations. They work up more patriotic fervor in war time than even the French. They respond more quickly than other people to a religious revival.

The present scare, if such it may be called, was started by the Government itself. The first panic speech was made by Mr. McKenna, the second by the Secretary for Foreign Affairs. Their addresses, examined now, justify all the national concern that has followed them. These solemn declarations from the persons who would be expected to maintain the most reserve, excuse all that has been said since.

In Canada we know a little about these political panic appeals. Not long since a premier, desiring to unload a raitway scheme on the country, pretended to have discovered the prospect of trouble with the United States, and the cancellation of the bonding privileges on the railway through Maine, altogether regardless of the lattive when Mr. Drummond received instructions did not represent the view of the fact that we have two railways to the Atlantic on Canadian and the cancellation of the bonding privileges on the railway through Maine, altogether regardless of the loo late? is hysterical enough. But in his case it was absolute humbus.

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fire was in Robert Smith's hom. Erin street. The damage was si It was thought that the strough had caused a break in the wind men were put to work at oncey and locate the trouble, and 127 meantime if any fire should breat the police had instructions to rie bell by hand, as soon as they 1-2 ed word from one of the statione men worked all the afternoon ayening, until 9.30 o'clock wheny discovered the break which waith No. 4 Engine House, on City. The system was put in working, and the fire bells returned to duty after enjoying the holid quietude.

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son, of Weymouth, N. S., are in the city.

Messrs. J. Neil Collins and Karl Walker, of Fredicton were registered at the Victoria yesterday.

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Mr. H. W. Broad, of St. Stephen, is at the Victoria.

Lieut. M. G. B. Portman, R. N., of London, is at the Royal.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Walker, of Fredericton, were at the Royal yesterday.

Mr. G. G. King, of Chipman, was at the Royal yesterday.

Mr. C. C. Flags, of Campobello, is at the Victoria.

Mr. F. D. Snyder, of Moneton, was at the Dufferin yesterday.

Mrs. E. Hutchinson, of Braystown, is at the Royal.

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Mr. Theodore Saunders, who has been taking a course in stenography at The St. John Business College, left yesterday for Brownville, where he has been selected by the C. P. R. to fill a position as clerk in the office there.

People Delighted With Nickel's New Bill.

Jack O'Brien is going to Europe. His end of the receipts of his bout in Phil-a delphia the other night amounted to \$6,169.20, which is over \$1,000 more than Johnson got. The club's end was \$9.294.80. The speculators lost over

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