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London, Monday, Nov. 7.

WHOLESALE ATTEMPT TO DIS FRANCHISE CITIZENS.

There is much indignation throughout

the city because of the manner in which many well-known citizens are being treated with regard to the revision of the Provincial voters' lists.

The revision takes place before the County Judge at the Court House on Monday, Nov. 21, at 10 a.m.

On behalf of the Liberals, application is made to have the names of about 800 persons inserted. The Conservatives apply to have some 500 added.

There is another list, fathered by an individual whose name is not to be found in the City Directory, but who has been put up by the Conservative Association to attack the qualifications of a large number of citizens. The name of this agent is given as George Meldrum Grimmond, and the invariable complaint served on citizens is that "Your name is wrongfully inserted in said voters' list (because you are not entitled to manhood franchise.)"

It is searcely credible that this individual has been put up to appeal against the right of many well-known residents of the city, who are perfectly qualified to vote, either for the purpose of causing them annoyance or in order to kill their votes through their failure to respond to his objection by attending court, and abiding the convenience of those who so stupidly attack their

Such, however, seems to be the case.

Why should a man occupying the position of H. Bapty, a well-known merchant, be compelled to dance attendance on the court to prove his right to vote?

No one in his senses would be guilty of lodging an objection against ble franchise. But this man Grimmond has been ordered to attack Mr. Bapty's

F. A. H. Fysh, another well-known merchant, has his vote assailed in a simi-

lar way. So has Thos. Heard.

So has F. B. Leys. So has Jeremiah McDonald.

So has J. P. Element. So has A. J. G. Henderson.

So has John B. Jennings.

So has Henry E. Buttery, commercial traveler, who was born here, and has been domiciled in this city ever since.

Fred Hallam, another citizen, whose vote will be filched from him by the same

disgraceful tactics if he does not attend court, has lived in his present place of abode, within the city limits for five years, and he defies any person to give any reason to do in case an attempt were made to why he should lose a day at court, or be swamp it in this way. He would advise

McLeod, another city merchant.

These are but a few of many absurd objections lodged by the Conservative agent Grimmond against the lists. It shows that under any system, no matter how fairly devised, except simple registration, it is open for careless or unscrupulous men to cause serious annoyance to their fellow

Would it not be well for the Conservative managers, even at this eleventh hour, to intelligent citizens cull out the names of those against whose franchise they have wrongfully appealed? This could easily be done, and the persons could be saved un-necessary attendance at court. If it is not done, the conduct of those from whom Grimmond took his instructions cannot be too strongly condemned.

qualification we at soever, who may be a resident of any have all his interests in a foreign country, uncome and vote if his name isonthelist. The Outario Act permits justice to be done, even at the eleventh hour. A non-qualified parson cannot vote if his vote is

The full text of Lord Salisbury's paper on the prospective attitude of the House of Lords toward Gladstone's measure conferring local self-government on Ireland is one of the most important documents which has ever come from the pen of an opposition leader. Lord Salisbury is not only leader of the Conservative party, but he is also chief of the Conservative majority in the House of Lords, and as such is in a position to dictate what attitude that body of irresponsible legislators shall take in regard to the Home Rule Bill or any other measure.

Lord Salisbury professes to believe that

the House of Lords would not attempt to thwart the will of the people of the United Kingdom if that will were clearly and in a peremptory manner signified. He may be right, but it is upon record that the House of Lerds has never willingly agreed to any great measure of reform aiming at neutraliz-ing or abolishing class legislation, and it would be strange if anything short of threatened abolition would influence the majority of Gat body now. Lord Salismajority of Gat body now. Lord Salis-bury denies that a home rule bill carried through the present House of Commons by a majority of 38—the utmost majority, he contends, upon which Gladstone can rely-would represent the unmistakable verdict of the nation. He tries to raise local prejudices against the granting of self-government to Ireland by pointing out that England and Scotland, taken together, gave a majority of 42 against the measure, and that Ireland and Wales gave the majority that carried the day. The reasoning is weak. Surely the veters of Wales and of Ireland are to be concoded equal rights to influence legis-lation with their neighbors in other parts of the motherland, or where goes the con-tention of unity? Taking up figures, Lord Salisbury alleges that if 21 of the English and Scotch constituencies which returned candidates favorable to the new measure of self-government for Ireland had given majority against Gladstone, he would not be in power to-day. He argues that if 765 electors had been converted to socalled "Unionism," home rule legislation would have been doomed. To be fair, however, he should have stated that in a large number of constituencies, the anti-Gladstone candidates were returned by very slim majorities, and that the conver sion of a few hundred of voters in those constituencies would have resulted in their being carried by the Liberals and Glad-stone would have doubled his majority in he House of Commons.

Juggled figures can be made to prove anything. The chief interest which attaches to Lord Salisbury's statements and computations lies in the fact that he incidentally discloses his line of attack for the future. Stripped of all verbiage, Lord Salisbury's pronouncia-mento is that he and his friends, in the House of Lords mean to throw out the Home Rule Bill that passes the popular House, on the ground that the country bes not favor the measure. His view, pparently, is that such a course would apparently, is that such a course would compel the dissolution of Parliament and nsure a new election. As Mr. Glad-tone has asserted that the Lords shall not force him to dissolve Parliament, and that he will deal with them in an effective way if they resist the will of the elected presentatives of the people in the popular amber, the action contemplated by Salisury will be fraught with momentous

Lord Sallsbury professes not to be afraid of any course which the Premier may take to make the Lords behave themselves. There are, he asserts, but two kinds of coercion which can be applied towards the hereditary legislators. The first is the creation of new peers, which was resorted to by Harley and Bolingbroke in 1711, and which was threatened by Earl Grey in 1832. Should recourse be now made to that expedient, the creation of new peers would have to take place on an immense scale, in view of the overwhelming nderance of Salisbury's adherents in preponderance of Salisbury's adherents in the Upper House. He indicates plainly what he would advise the House of Lords isfranchised.

The same remarks apply to Mr. Norman peers to take their seats on the express ground that their creation indicated an intention to encreach on the independence of the House. He finds a precedent for such a course in the fact that from 1711 to 1782 Scottish peers who had been created peers of Great Britain were not allowed to sit and vote, the motive for their exclusion being their supposed subserviency to the crown. He finds a much later precedent in the case of Lord Wensleydale, we managers, even at this eleventh hour, to pover their objections and with the aid of ence of their House as a legislative body Having notified Mr. Gladstone that he will not be permitted to overthrow the Tory majority in the Upper House by a wholesale creation of new peers, Lord Salisbury proceeds in a spirit of ironical defiance Under the Dominion Act, a man with no gest a more revolutionary remedy. If Mr. Gladstone believes that he has an overwhelming force of public him, why does he not, Lord Salisbury asks,

Lords by a simple resolution ? we understand, the Liberals did not object Salisbury admit, as be does in this article, to persons who are known to be dis-qualified, because they did not de-sire to cause unnecessary expense or trouble to anyone. It or trouble to anyone. It seems to justly be seized by those who upbeld demo-us that if instead of annoying well-known cratic principles as the strongest of evidence in favor of the principle that obtizens by making unformed allegations are feel owner, as them, the Conservative agents had followed suit, they would be in a much better position in the eyes of fair-minded citizens to-day.

This significant confession will not be neutralized by Lord Salisbury's further contention that the House of Lords is the only part of the unwritten British and assure to great constitu-The Profile of the United States choose their President to-morrow. There is no telling who will be on top. The fact that titted measures the deliberation and delay the curred her, after many dectors failed. She can now eat anything, and enjoy tittle betting is taking place shows that taken in the written constitutions of other heither party is very sure about the result.

THE COMING BIG BATTLE IN for long sustain a body of irresponsible legis-BRITAIN. IN for long sustain a body of irresponsible legis-lators on any such grounds. They rightly lemand that where there rests the responsibility there shall be the power.

Gladstone and his friends, however, have to face the threat that the bill for granting self-government to Ireland will be thrown out by the veto of the House of Lords, and the resistance of coercion by the same body. In support of his position, the great tribune may have to go to the people, but before he does so it is reasonable to believe that the Lords will be called upon to further antagonize popular reforms. The Premier will be greatly strengthened if side by side with the Home Rule Bill he sends to the House of Lords bills greatly liberalizing the franchise, supporting the one man one vote principle, establishing a simple sys-tem of registration of votes, and other measures for the amelioration of the condition of the masses. Such a programme, popularized by the opposition of the hereditary chamber, would secure a victory for the House of Commons such as has no been scored since 1832.

The old land is apparently on the eve of a great struggle between privilege and popular rights. We have no misgivings as

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ACCUSED PERSON. Ex-Premier Mercier has been tried by jury of his countrymen, made up of members of both political parties, on a charge of conspiring to rob the Province while he was managing its affairs. The jury only took ten minutes to find him not guilty. As the

administration of justice is in the hands of his opponents, it has been possible for his enemies to pursue Mercier to the bitter end, and to endeavor to have him sent to the penitentiary for his alleged misdeeds.

We are not among those who would suggest that even a Prime Minister should be shielded from the consequences of wrong doing when charges are made against him by responsible persons.

Let us investigate every charge, and let

a man be vindicated or condemned by his peers. That is the only way to administer justice, if it is not to be brought into con-

But how different has been the treatment of Mr. Mercier's political foes from that meted out to him! No technicality was allowed to stand between Mercier and his trial. When it came to Mr. Haggart, however, it was pleaded that a far more serious charge could not be investigated because some time had elapsed since the perpetration of the offense! Chapleau was exonerated, too, though he permitted the country to be defrauded right under his nose. Sin Hector Langevin, though clearly hand-inglove with the cormorants who preyed on the country for years, was not placed in the dock but allowed to stay in his seat. And as for Sir Adolphe Caron, he was not satisfied to have his alleged coodling operations investigated by a Parliamentary body, two-thirds of whom were his friends. Sir John Thompson had the indictment drawn up so as to emasculate the charges made by Mr. Edgar, M.P., and prevent their being fully investigated. No innocent man would gated. No innocent man would have countenanced such a change. He would have courted the fullest possible investigation. Why, the public may well ask, should the charges made against Mr. Mercier alone be probed to the bottom? Is there to be one law for Mercier and another for Caron? Why should the men at Ottawa, guilty of the worst forms of public robbery, be made Lieutenant-Governors of Provinces, while Mercier is hounded

We condone no misdeed of which the ex-Premier has been guilty, but we say that professions of virtuous indignation over his shortcomings will never atone for the calities which have been glossed over, hidden away, emasculated, at Ottawa.

IT CERTAINLY does look like folly to keep up the present high tariff against Brit'sh goods and then mortgage curselves to drag British trade in over the barrier.—[Mon-

We have been doing it for a dozen years, nevertheless, at the bidding of the few monopolists who profit by the transaction. Surely it is time to turn over a new leaf, and make a radical reduction in the tax

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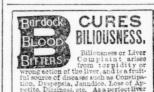
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