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DIPLOMATIC BLUNDERS OF THE TORY GOVERNMENT.

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This letter, signed and sealed by His Lordship, and published in every village and city print in the country, sealed the doom of his friend, Mr. Cleveland.

And now comes another diplomatic quarrel, far more serious to Lord Salisbury than the blundering of Sackville at Washington.

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FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF CHRISTIANITY.

It has been announced that at the Jarvis street Unitarian church in Toronto, a series of twelve lectures will be delivered on the "Fundamental Principles of Religion."

The object of the discourse was twofold. Its main object was to establish that the true theology of Christianity is not opposed to the truth of science.

All this is perfectly just. To this he adds, "theological narrowness would be removed by theological breadth."

The Iron Chancellor, however, is no more scared by this tall talk than the Americans were in October last by the Standard's menace of "the thunder of British cannon."

The European nations are making a scramble for territory in Africa. England has long had her colonies on the South and East, France on the North.

from taking a prominent part in the violent anti-Catholic movements which are so frequently inaugurated by the clergy of other Protestant denominations.

If we were to adopt the Rev. Mr. Calthrop's pantheistic theory, which he bases on the text of his sermon, we would be forced to conclude that we are ourselves God, or a portion of God.

The reverend gentleman assures us that the fathers did not discover that key to the mysteries of Christianity which he possesses, and which is peculiarly the property of the nineteenth century.

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The Presbyterians ought not to forget that the Confession of Faith declares that "the purest Churches under heaven are subject both to mixture and error."

The doctrine which is declared by the Galt Presbytery to be heresy, relating as it does to the possibility of any human being to observe all God's commandments, and to remain free from sin, is an abstruse doctrine which needs all the authority of an infallible teacher to decide whether it be true or false.

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"OUT OF THY MOUTH I CONFESSE THEE"

Mr. Goldwin Smith, in a letter addressed to the Mail of Tuesday last, depicting opposition just now given to his ardent Wiman's theories of commercial "The cry of treason," he says, "could be raised. It has been the cuckoo of the monopolists, and enemies of the monopolists, and enemies of the present hour."

A COMING JUBILEE

In all our Maritime Province we notice reference to the intended celebration of the silver jubilee of Rev. Patrick Doyle, pastor of St. Andrew's, Kincora and Seven Mile.