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London, Monday, Nov. 9.

HALTON.

The seat for Halton county in the Do minion House of Commons, having been rendered vacant by the unseating of Mr. Henderson (Conservative), a brisk cam paign may be expected to ensue.

Halton has see-sawed between the parties in the last half-dozen elections, and Mr. Henderson has now been unhorsed twice because of corrupt practices. His election hast March seems to have been effected by a wide prevalence of bribery. The case which unseated him was only a specimen of what would have followed if the friends of Mr. Henderson had not given up the right to appeal the case, and consented to the seat being vacated, on condition that the personal charges were not pressed.

A Conservative having sat for the constituency for last session, it is now the turn of the Liberals to win in Halton. With the revelations recently made at Ottawa, and a line of policy conceived in the interests of the people, the county should once more be won over for good govern-

FIRST ONE. THEN ANOTHER.

The Liberals talk of "one man, one vote," out they do not say anything about "one woman, one vote."—[Toronto Empire.

Nonsense. Here is a Liberal paper which apholds both "one man, one vote" and "one woman, one vote" as well. But if we cannot get the last-named principle generally conceded by the legislators that is n Jeason why the "one man, one vote" law of the Province should not be introduced in Dominion elections. The chief organ of the high tax party is on record as opposed to both reforms. It is not a believer in the principle of electoral equality, and it supports political leaders that have again and again voted down the democratic principle of "one man, one vote," though there was no just ground for that action. Indeed, any politician in Ontario who suggested a return to the cumbrous and expensive method that preceded the passage of the "one man, one vote" enactment would be promptly repudiated by either political party. The question now is, If the law has been so beneficial in elections her the Legislature, why not for the House of Commons also? Will the Empire tell and

THE ELECTION IN CORK. The election to fill the seat in the British House of Commons, rendered vacant by the death of Mr. Parnell, took place in Cork Friday, and resulted in a significant victory for the supporters of the Home Rule majority. It is unfortunate that a small minority of the Irish M. P.s chose to adopt the view of their late leader in regard to the effect of his shortcomings on the cause of self-government in the island. There were those who believed that the

death of Parnell would bring an immediate solution for the rupture. Such, however, has not been the case, and the two wings of the party remain separated. But surely it cannot be for long. The failure of the minority to contest Kilkenny, and the signal victory of the majority in Cork on Friday reveals the fatuity of a course that, if persisted in, can only postpone the set-tlement of Ireland's legislative difficulties, and keep the country in that state of unrest which is highly prejudicial to her interests.

To friends of Ireland in Canada the result of the election must be pleasing. The majority of us believe that the de ADVERTISER PRINTING CO'Y, mocraey of Ireland can only obtain that full measure of justice which the country has a right to receive by close alliance with the democracy of Great Britain—that is, by co-operation with the great Liberal party. Mr. Gladstone, Lord Rosebery, John Morley, Earl Spencer, the Earl of Aberdeen, Sir William Vernon Harcourt, and the Liberal party generally have pledged themselves to do all that honor able, upright men can do to remove the ental and other grievances of which sentim the Irish people complain, and to cement the two islands in a bond of equality and brotherhood. That much-to-be-desired re-sult cannot be obtained, however, if the great mass of the Irish people themselves do not harmoniously work for the legiti-mate acquirement of those self-governing rights which we in Canada possess.

It has been contended by those who would deny the Irish those rights that we in Ontario and in every Province and State in North America now exercise, that the people over there cannot be trusted to rule themselves. There has been much gloating over the exhibitions of rowdyism in Cork and elsewhere, and the argument has been brought forward that where troubles like these exist there should be no self-government. With all due deference to these critics, we take issue with them on this point. The Irishman, wherever found, is a warm-hearted, impulsive fellow, but it cannot be said that in point of conduct he is any worse than his neighbors. Some of our most successful governors-general have been Irishmen. Many of our brilliant statesmen have been Irishmen or sons of Irishmen. Thousands of the race have seen successful merchants, manufacturers and farmers in the Dominion. And so has been the record throughout the world. The Irish are not only amenable to selfgoverning enactments, but they have given powerful aid in formulating and sustaining laws for the betterment of every country in which their lot has been cast. That much can be safely asserted without minimizing the services rendered to the new nations o the earth by those who owe their origin to other countries.

It is no answer to the argument in favor of Ireland being made a self-governing ountry in all that pertains to her local affairs, as we are in Canada, to say that some of her sons cause rows in election campaigns, in which hot language is used and brickbats are thrown. Everyone who has made a study of the evolution of nations from a state of tutelage, of red-tape management of public affairs, knows that it takes a little time for some of the people to fully understand that more votes can be gained by strong argument in favor of a good cause than by the use of sticks and stones. They went through that experience in Scotland and England after the passage of the Reform Bill of 1832. The economist Hume was rotten-egged in the usually quiet town of Arbroath, and had to flee to Montrose, with a howling mob at his heels. And in other places election riots were common. In Canada, too. we have had out excited mobs. Some of them rotten-egged a Governor-General and burned the Parliament buildings, because they were not allowed to have their own way. Others, in this good city of London, tore down the decorations put up in honor of a Governor-General, who was deemed too Liberal to suit the views of a section of the populace. Even in the rural districts election "shindies" were frequent. It is in the recollection of the older residents of this city that a Parliamentary candidate in East Middlesex was chased by gang of his opponents from St. Johns

village to Westminster.
All this is past in Canada. People have got used to exercising their rights. They remember that after election day they have to live with each other as before, and they respect the right of each to judge for him-Election rows are now as rare in Canada as a snow storm in July, and all are the better for the change. So will it be in Ireland when, relieved of the constant intermeddling of outsiders in their purely local concerns, the people become fully their neighbors and to the State.

says:

"For years Davison has been putting goods fraudulently undervalued through the custom house and selling them at prices lower than honest importers could afford to a sak. For years it has been a scandal that men in the service of the custom house have been building up fortunes and living at the rate of \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year. Three front pews in three different churches was one of the weaknesses of one of these appraisers. All the pearl buttons sold in this country some years ago were fraudulently entered and the profits of the dishouesty shared in by an appraiser. The importers of Toronto know all about it. Since this matter has come up complaints are heard on all sides among importers. In

stances are cited where reputable wholesale houses have been put to a great deal of annoyance and even been forced to submit to insults by officials of the Customs Department. Not long ago two of our largest and wealthiest firms were compelled to put up marked checks because those eagle-eyed (at times only) officials imagined an error had been made in passing a few cases of prints. Yet when the Davison frauds were discovered fines to the amount of \$9,000 were imposed, and it is said had Davison remained here these fines could have been settled for about one-third of this sum. As the case stands now there is an onus resting on those in the department in which frauds were committed, both innocent and guilty alike. This is unfair to those who have honestly done their duty, and the silence should not be continued. It is time for the proper authorities to speak out."

When shall we reach the end of these rascalities? Those in authority seem to be

rascalities? Those in anthority seem to be unable or unwilling to honestly administer public affairs. It is time that a change was decreed.

BEGIN AT HOME.

The Brantford Courier complains be cause there are more waifs and strays in the Province than there are industria schools to which they may be sent by the magistrates. This is an important confession, in view of the fact that the Dominion Government has been bonusing professional philanthropists in the old world to send juveniles from the slums to Canada by the thousand. Having more neglected children than the country knows what to do with, is it not a waste of public money and an injury to the taxpayers to pay for the importation of others? In all justice our rulers should dispose of the home ere first of all.

A POET'S TOMB.

Walt Whitman, the poet, is in very poor health, and he told Sir Edwin Arnold, who visited him at his Camden home the other day, that he did not expect to live long. He has already prepared for his death by providing for himself a tomb, which has been constructed under his personal supervision. It is on the side of a hill in Harleigh Cemetery, on the outskirts of Camden, overskadowed by a gnarled oak. It is lesigned after the wall of King Solomon' Temple, the structure being of massive blocks of Quincy granite. The front alone is said to weigh over 70 tons. The door, of granite, is 6 inches thick, measuring 4 feet 2 inches in width by 6 feet 4 inches in height. No rods, bolts, or other fastenings are used, the corners being held together by morticing the solid blocks. The entrance is 3 feet 6 inches; the vesti bule in front of the eight catacombs is 11 feet 3 inches wide, 7 feet deep, 8 feet high. The catacombs are of marble unusually thick. It will be closed by hermetically sealed slabs of polished marble. The roo is of granite in five pieces. The approaches are of rock-based granite in semi-circular form. All will be covered with ivy.

TOPICS OF THE DAY. On Monday next, two big events will be celebrated in the British metropolis. The Prince of Wales will be 50 years old, and the birthday of the heir to the throne is always a notable event. But, for reasons best known to himself, the Trince has refused to countenance the the public celebration of his birthday by the corporation of the city of London. Being a mar of family, and a grandfather, the Prince says he wishes the event to be regarded as a "purely domestic and family affair. The Lord Mayor's procession on Monday will therefore not be dwarfed by the proposed royal pilgrimage. His Wor-ship is a native of Wales, and the display made in his honor will be a distinctively

Welsh character. THE Rochester Herald says: THE Rochester Herald says:

What can equal the absurdity of confining the privilege of the ballot exclusively to the male sex? The argument is wholly, totally against it, and only usage and prejudice continue the practice. But women themselves are to blame if they do not get the ballot. The time was when men would not have granted it. That time is over. As soon as a general movement is started among women in favor of demanding what is as clearly their right as it is the right of men they will get the ballot. The enlightened portion of the male sex recognizes the folly of disfranchising women and is prepared to remove the disability as soon as women shall generally agree in asking for the ballot.

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May we ask our fair-minded contemporary this question: Why, in this enlightened age, should any class in the community require to ask for that justice which is clearly their right?

A WESTERN TRIBUTE. [Western Law Times, Winnines,]

Mr. James F. Lister, of Sarnia, barrister Mr. James F. Lister, of Sarnia, barristerat-law and M. P., has rendered himself
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during the last session, and has made his
name a terror to fitchers from the public
chest. He deserves the thanks of his
fellow-countrymen, irrespective of politics,
for the fearless stand he took against the
offending parties.

CANADIAN MECHANICS ALL RIGHT.

aware of their privileges and their duties to their neighbors and to the State.

CUSTOM HOUSE FRAUDS.

The Toronto World (Conservative) says the true story of the flight of Sam Daviston, of that city, who systematically defrauded the customs, is coming to light. It says:

[Hamilton Times.]

Mr. William Omand, a skilled mechanic who graduated in the old Great Western shops, and who was foreman in a sewing machine factory in the days when the manufacture of sewing machines leading industries, left today to take a good situation in Aurora, Illinois. In the factory to which he goes, an eight-shuttle machine, designed to stitch corsets, is manufactured. The inventor and manufacturer learned his trade in the old Gardner sewing machine factory, [Hamilton Times.] in the old Gardner sewing machine factory, corner of James and Hunter streets, Hamilton. Who says Canadlan mechanics cannot hold their own against Yankees?

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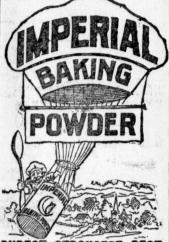
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