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Some Political Economists.

A legal gentleman of Hamilton named Crerar advocates in a letter to Mr. Laurier, published in The Mail, the adoption by the Liberal party of an absolute Free Trade cry, and says the bogey of direct taxation as the alternative to the N.P. is a fraud. He speaks of a proposed rise in 1877 from 17½ tariff to a 20 per cent. as "an increase to the burden of taxation," but if the money was needed for revenue, as the public accounts show it to have been, how was the method of procuring it any more an additional burden than taking the cash would have been? Mr. Crerar says nothing new in a letter over two columns long, and may well be left to the tender mercies of Hamilton, manufacturers and their employes.

There is also a legal gentleman named Lefroy of Toronto who is making a study of political economy, and when he has mastered one of the elementary truths threshed out here in the elections of 1878 he empties his conquest on The Mail's rubbish heap. If instead of bringing it up bit by bit he would let the whole fad of free trade stay on his stomach long enough to be digested he would do better, for his diction is good and he talks like a gentleman. Meantime, perhaps, if he and that other English legal light, Mr. J. Lockhart Gordon, were shut up in a room together for a week or two they might both be induced to swear off and give us a rest. But if they can settle the affairs of Canada between them Parliament no doubt will be quite ready to adopt any resolution moved by one and seconded by the other. We would not for the world say that they lack practical common sense, but only that they live away up in the region inhabited by Morleys, Smiths and other dreamers of dreams—in a dry atmosphere.

An Extraordinary Proceeding.

The facts disclosed by Mr. Meredith in his speech in the Legislature yesterday afternoon will certainly be a surprise to the people of this Province. At the session of 1887 Upper Canada College occupied a large share of the attention of the House. It was found that a deep-seated feeling was prevalent among members on both sides of the House that the college could not be regarded as a people's school, but rather resembled the great public schools of England and the United States where the fees prohibit the attendance of any but the boys of wealthy or at least well-to-do parents. This feeling was so strong that it was seen that the school must cease to figure among the list of state-aided schools. An arrangement was accordingly arrived at, not without a good deal of opposition, that the site upon which the college then stood should be sold, and that out of the moneys resulting from the sale or from the property formerly vested in the crown in trust for Upper Canada College the sum of $100,000 should be set apart as a permanent fund for the college, and a further sum not exceeding $120,000, exclusive of the cost of a site, for the erection of buildings for the college. Any sum remaining unexpended after paying for the site and for erecting and equipping the buildings was to be appropriated for the use of the University of Toronto. $20,000 was mentioned by the Government as the probable cost of a new site. The House, therefore, voted for the bill under the idea that by the payment of $140,000 they would dispose of Upper Canada College as a provincial school forever. What was the astonishment of many of the members yesterday when they learned that the fund set apart for the university was to be depleted to the extent of, not $140,000, but some $90,000 or $105,000 more.

The trustees of the College, with the assistance of the Minister of Education, and contrary to the express desire of the Legislature, have filched from the endowments of the Provincial University the sum above mentioned. More will be heard of this extraordinary proceeding when the matter again comes up in the Legislature.

Chicago's Big Fake.

The managers of the World's Fair at Chicago next year are clever gentlemen. They are asking Canadian papers to publish columns of "advance notices" free. Canadians have no great interest in neighbors who are often anything but neighborly, and Canadian newspapers can well afford to send back a card of their advertising rates when these free puffs come jumping out of their mail bags. The Chicago fair is a great big fake to be worked for those who will profit by it. There is not much in it for Canada. If we've got any money to spend let us spend it in Europe securing a desirable class of immigrants.

The Tribune Almanac for 1892 is fully up to the high standard of excellence attained by its predecessors. In some respects an advance has been made. For instance, it contains a statement in detail of the gold, silver, nickel, copper and paper money in circulation in the United States each year since 1860, with the quantity per capita, each year, figured out. This is a statement which will be of interest to Canadians.

Miss Hood, 147 Light-street, Woodstock, Ont.

was the fortunate person to secure the elegant gold watch from The Ladies' Pictorial Weekly's (of Toronto, Ont.) prize competition for Thursday. Watches and other prizes given away daily. Send two three cent stamps for particulars.

Lownsborough's New Exchange Office.

Lownsborough & Co., exchange and stock brokers, will open out this morning in their new office, No. 22 King-street east. The new quarters are really on the site of their old stand, which was rebuilt and refitted.

Personal.

Mr. John Garney, one of London's prominent business men, was in town yesterday. He says he doesn't know of any place to equal London as a centre of political activity.

Hon. Edward Blake will give an evening's readings in the North End Church Hall, on Wednesday evening, March 9, in aid of the funds of the North End Club.

According to Vanity Fair, Major John St. Aubyn, Lord Levan's eldest son, who is appointed Military Secretary to the Governor-General, has a good military record, having served with distinction in the Gordon relief expedition as aide-de-camp to General Earle, to whom he was standing close when the latter was killed. He has also had experience of staff work, as aide-de-camp at Hong Kong, where he was very popular and rerated to be straight as a die, with an unkind word for no one.

The same authority says that Lord Lansdowne will resign before the general election, and so save any chance of the next Viceroy of India being nominated by Gladstone.

Lord Dufferin and his family finally move from Rome to the British Embassy at Paris in the middle of this month.

Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, brother of Lord Kerry, is now married to the daughter of Thomas Whilom Torontonian, William Fitzpatrick of Wellington-street, has issued his address to the electors of Kircaldy Burghs, for which Sir George Campbell was the late member.

A GRIEVANCE OF YACHTSMEN.

THE HARBOR COMMISSIONERS' RESOLUTION DISCUSSED

At a Special Meeting of R.C.Y.C. Vessel Owners Last Night—Will Yacht Races Start and Finish in the Bay?—Montreal Defeat the Crack Ottawas and Take the Canadian Hockey Championship.

A special meeting of members of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club was held last night in the Esplanade club house.

The big assembly room was well filled with enthusiastic yacht-owners, who were present for the purpose of considering a genuine grievance. Commodore Boswell was in the chair.

There were present besides Vice-Commodore Blackstock, Ald. McMurrich, Rear Commodore Brown, Messrs. S. Bruce Harman, G. H. Gooderham, N. B. Dick, Fiddington, Æ. Jarvis, B. Garrett, Campbell, Percival, Thomson, Evans and a great many others.

Last week the Harbor Commissioners passed a resolution closing the Eastern and Western channels and their approaches to yacht racing. There was a lengthy and harmonious discussion on the hostile dictum. The members were a unit and declared that the resolution would seriously injure their sport. They will take the best possible methods to secure its repeal. This resolution, on motion of Rear Commodore Brown, was unanimously adopted:

That this meeting of yacht-owners and yachtmen of the city of Toronto regret the action of the Harbor Commissioners in closing the eastern and western channels and their approaches to yacht racing, and that if persisted in it will do an incalculable amount of harm to a pastime which has increased in popular favor, and which has added to the good name of Toronto in the great fresh water lakes of this continent. Be it also resolved that a committee consisting of Messrs. A. R. Boswell, T. G. Blackstock, N. B. Dick, E. H. Gooderham, Æ. Jarvis, S. Bruce Harman and C. A. B. Brown be chosen to wait upon the Harbor Commissioners and present the view of the meeting.

It appears that steam vessel-owners were generally annoyed at the Widgeon-Eurydice incident, and many believe that this caused the Harbor Commissioners to take this step. However, there is no doubt that yachtsmen, members of the R.C.Y.C., have always endeavored to act in a friendly and fair manner with the steamboats and ferries.

They have spent thousands of dollars on their favorite pastime and certainly do not merit this harsh check. It is to be hoped that before the sailing season comes round that the yachtsmen will be able to start and finish their races in the bay, of course under the proper regulations.

The Queen City Club.

A meeting of the Queen City Yacht Club Committee was held last night, the vice-commodore in the chair. They had been served with the Harbor Commissioners' notice and discussed the same. They decided to use their best persuasive powers and have the resolution suitably altered.

OTTAWA HOCKEYISTS BE AYEN.

Montreal Wins a Close Game by 1 Goal to 0—The Ice Was Very Bad.

OTTAWA, March 7.—The Montreal Hockey Club this evening met the Ottawas in the last match of the season for the championship, and they won a close match by 1 goal scored by Hodgson, to 0.

The Rideau Rink was crowded and the ice in very bad condition, the superior strength of the Montrealers standing them in good stead.

What They Think of 'Varsity.

Cornell is very anxious to play 'Varsity both in Toronto and Ithaca. They have offered the local university nine a $150 guarantee for one game at Ithaca and have given their terms for two games here in June.

Victoria Juniors' Hockey Record.

The Victoria Juniors organized at the end of January, a month later than any other junior hockey club in town, and have done as well as any one else.

In the first match on Jan. 28 they beat the Granite Juniors. They were beaten by U.C. College and defeated the Y.M.C.A. Juniors. In their fourth match they were beaten by the Granite Juniors. Their fifth game was a victory over a picked team. They drew with Y.M.C.A. Seniors and were beaten by U.C.C., who are said to have played senior men against juniors. They beat the Y.M.C.A. Seniors and were beaten by Granite Juniors. In their tenth and last match they scored a great victory over the Y.M.C.A. Seniors by 8 goals to 1.

The boys in blue are talking of organizing a cricket team for this summer.

BASEBALL IN THE WEST END.

The Parkdales' Organize—An Enthusiastic Meeting—The Officers Elected.

A meeting of West End baseball enthusiasts was held last night, when the Parkdale Baseball Club was organized. The old name of Beavers has been dropped and the club, which is a West End one, will be known as the Parkdales of Toronto in future. The following gentlemen were named as honorary patrons:

Ald. Orr, Atkinson, Gowanlock, Maloney, Graham, Bell, Bailey and Crawford, Messrs. John Laxton, J. W. St. John, Dr. Lynd, T. A. Thompson, J. H. McBrien, George S. Booth, M. J. Woods, A. A. Alexander and Benjamin Smith.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, George B. Leslie; vice-presidents, R. O. Whitty, V. T. Boro and Ed McCormick; secretary, W. A. Forbesous, 1247 Queen-street west; manager-treasurer, John J. Ward; delegates to league meeting, Messrs. Leslie, Whitty and Ward.

The following well-known players will comprise the team: Prentice, Kanaan, Lees, Snider, Ward, Pierce, Baker, Moskin, O'Leary and Sykes. The captain will be chosen by the players. Pierce and Baker are old Hamilton players and the West Enders are very fortunate in securing their services.

Race Track Rambles.

The latest betting on the English Derby is 225 to 100 Orme.

These were the winners yesterday at Gutenburg: Coldstream, Zenophon, Dixie, Woodcutter, Azrael, Longstreet.

There are no pool rooms in Canada, but there are "agencies" for the placing of bets on races this side of the line.—N.Y. Press.

English and European Governments will not buy a horse for cavalry purposes which has been docked, and officers are not allowed to ride them on parade, even if they be private property.

A dark horse has made an appearance in the betting on the English Derby. This is The Cellarer, a bay colt, by St. Simon, out of Staffa, by Scottish Chief. He is the property of the Duke of Portland and has never yet sported silk.

Several things out of the common run occurred at Guttenberg last Friday. La Grippe, a chestnut gelding which has won a number of races during this winter, fell and broke one of his forelegs in the last race. It was necessary to shoot the horse.

The entries for the Italian trotting Derby closed Dec. 31 with 46 inscriptions, 13 of them by the Breda Association and eight by Mr. Magnani. Most of the colts entered have American antecedents. Twelve of them are by Amber, eight by Hambleton, six by Elwood Medium, three by Atlantic and as many by Grandmont. Three more are by Russian trotting sires and three out of thoroughbreds.

A Book Free.

A publication of particular interest to everyone who follows or participates in sport or games of any kind is H. P. Davies & Co.'s new 80-page catalog, which illustrates and describes every article used by the bicyclist, the field sportsman, the fisherman, the athlete and the gymnast. This book should be in the hands of everyone interested in sport and will be mailed free on request at the firm's head store, 81 Yonge-street, Toronto. 246

For a Canadian Association.

In accordance with the resolution favoring the formation of a Canadian Association, passed at the annual meeting of the Ontario Cricket Association held March 3, a meeting has been called for the evening of Monday, March 28, at the Walker House, to commence at 8 o'clock.

The International Bicycle Race.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The international six-day bicycle race began at 1 o'clock this afternoon in Madison-square Garden. There were 14 starters, including J. S. Prince, Albert Shock, Charles Ashinger, Edward Reading, William Martin, John D. Lumsden, champion of Scotland, William Lanier of Newcastle-on-Tyne, Frank Alberts, Frederick Chadsey, William Boyst, Harry F. Bowser and Arthur E. Smith.

Spots of Sport.

Voa der Ahe has unearthed a pitching phenomenon named Callaghan, who hails from the wilds of "Canuck" land.—Washington Post.

A special general meeting of the Rosedale Cricket Club was held last night at Harry Morgan's restaurant when the bylaws and constitution were overhauled and the season's prospects talked over.

The present mild weather has put the idea of another bank hockey match out of the bankers' minds. Queen's are anxious to visit Toronto and play Osgoode Hall Saturday.

The total mileage of the American League Baseball Club will be 162 335, an average of 13,527, as follows: New York 12,958, Boston 13,384, Brooklyn 13,320, Philadelphia 12,873, Baltimore 12,521, Washington 12,388, Pittsburg 13,691, Cleveland 13,502, Cincinnati 14,053, Louisville 14,571, Chicago 14,369, and St. Louis 14,986.

Slavin and Mitchell will arrive at 5 p.m to-day, and will be guests of J. F. Scholes The program will be out to-day. It is a good one and includes a single stick contest between Slavin and Instructor Page of C School. The wind-up is between Mitchell and Slavin, 4 rounds.

BOOTHS FOR LADY VOTERS.

Little Cost, Much Comfort—Firehalls and Public Schools the Places to Vote In—About Bonuses.

A special meeting of the Executive Committee of the City Council was held yesterday afternoon to consider the bills now before the Legislature.

A bill will be submitted giving the city power to prevent all persons from tearing up any street for any purpose without permission, and then only at that individual's own expense.

The City Treasurer was instructed to secure the services of some high-grade accountant to assist Accountant Hughes in looking over the Consumers' Gas Company's books.

Exemptions and Bonuses.

The Solicitor was instructed to oppose all bills which gave a municipality power to exempt personal property. The Mayor thought the real estate property of the province had load enough to carry at present.

Regarding a bill now being considered by the Legislature to forbid all bonuses to factories in future, Ald. Maloney said the city ought to urge the proposition, as if it passed Toronto would doubtless have a larger number of manufacturing firms. It was resolved not to do so, as the city's interference would give rise to a strong opposition, which would probably defeat the bill.

The Mayor asked for a change in the Suffrage Act so as to allow a separate polling booth in each ward for lady voters. Ald. Orr said if women took such a keen interest in men's affairs they ought to condescend to vote in the same booth.

Ald. Bell reminded the committee that this was an age for economy. The proposition was carried.

Public Schools for Polling Booths.

Ald. Crawford thought that there were enough fire halls and public schools in this city for polling booths. Ald. Jolliffe said the firemen were the worst ward heelers in the city. Ald. Bell and the mayor denied this, but all agreed that public schools would be the proper place for voting.

A deputation consisting of Mrs. Macdonald and Mrs. McMath waited on the committee asking that the names of lady voters be printed in the voters' lists. The matter was left with the Minister of Education, who intends to introduce such a bill.

THE TRUSTEES ARE WILLING

To Undertake the Management of the Isolation Hoptital.

A sub-committee of the Local Board of Health, consisting of the Mayor, Ald. Lamb, Burns and Dr. Allen, waited on the General Hospital Trust yesterday afternoon to consider the proposition to place the new Isolation Hospital under the management and control of the trust.

Chairman Lamb, W. S. Lee, Mr. George Gooderham, Dr. D. A. O'Sullivan, Mr. Blaikie and Dr. O'Reilly considered that the management of the Isolation Hospital by the General Board was practicable provided that the Hospital for infectious diseases was completely isolated so that a separate staff of medical attendants and nurses could be assigned to take entire charge during an epidemic.

Dr. O'Reilly took the opportunity to state that as certain communications had appeared in the press criticizing the plan of placing the hospital under the management of the Board of Health officials of the Toronto General Hospital have taken a neutral position in the matter. It was hardly likely, he said, that the trustees would either seek or desire any more responsibility, but nevertheless they were willing to undertake this extra work if it were the wish of the local Board of Health and the City Council.

"Hotel Vendome," New York.

Toronto people visiting New York should make their home at the well-appointed and handsome "Hotel Vendome," corner of Broadway and Forty-first-streets. The "Hotel Vendome" is a short distance from the Grand Central depot, and has also direct car service from the West Shore and Erie Railway ferry docks. The "Vendome" is almost opposite the Metropolitan Opera House, and street cars pass the door from all theatres. Its appointments are perfection. Newly furnished and equipped from the ninth story down; it is the *par excellence* of comfort. The hotel contains two hundred and fifty rooms, single and *en suite*, with or without baths, and is conducted on both the European and American plan. In the hotel office will be found Mr. A. B. Craig (late of the Rossin House), who pays special attention to Canadian guests. The cafe is one of the handsomest in New York, and the dining-room, situated in the ninth story, cannot be surpassed in New York. 1

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An Eye to Beauty.

A sportsman and an athlete cultivates a certain amount of art and good taste while in the pursuit of his favorite sport and therefore can discern between finished and cheap goods. H. P. Davies & Co.'s sporting goods establishment, 81 Yonge-street, is noted for the handsome appearance of the stock, and as a consequence the house is patronized by those who are good judges of what they are buying. 246

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THE AMUSEMENT WORLD.

Marie Wainwright.

To-night will be noteworthy for the first performance in the Dominion of Miss Marie Wainwright's presentation of "Amy Robsart," a production which has been unanimously pronounced to be without an equal on the contemporary stage. There should not be a vacant seat in the Grand Opera House, for it will doubtless prove to be a night of triumph that will long dwell in the memories of all present. Miss Wainwright showed much of her ability and good taste in her setting and acting of "Twelfth Night," but there were narrow limitations to that which do not exist in "Amy Robsart."

Miss Neilson's Successor.

Considerable curiosity is being excited in amusement circles over the engagement of Marie Wainwright in Toronto in "Amy Robsart," inasmuch as it was the favorite part play of the late Adelaide Neilson, who was almost worshipped here. Many claim that Miss Wainwright is fully as pretty and engaging as Neilson and fully as good an actress and certainly never was an attraction more elaborately staged.

At Jacobs & Sparrow's.

Dore Davidson and Ramie Austin opened a week's engagement at this popular theatre last night in the great four-act melodrama "Dangers of a Great City." There was a large and enthusiastic audience, the many thrilling situations being produced to good effect. A vein of comedy runs through the entire play, by which the audience is kept in good humor. Miss Ramie Austin, who is a young and beautiful actress, played her triple role with pronounced success. Dore Davidson sustained his reputation as an able character actor. The play is well staged and should not fail to draw large houses. There will be the usual matinees Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Annie Ward Tiffany.

"The Stepdaughter" was played before a large audience at the Academy last night. It is a stirring melodrama with enough fun interspersed to make the play glide along smoothly. There is a commendable and praiseworthy blending of comedy, melodrama and skilful acting.

Annie Ward Tiffany, as Peggy Logan, the faithful Irish nurse, was praised by all who witnessed her performance. Some of her Toronto friends presented her with a beautiful basket of flowers during the second act. She is Irish to the core and, true-hearted, faithful, and, always turning up at the right time to checkmate villainy, she captures the audience before they scarcely know her. Annie Barclay played the part of Mrs. Egerton admirably, and Rose Tiffany as Ruby Egerton, her stepdaughter, though having a rather weak voice for the part, played it very commendably. Marion Bender is a charming little actress and has a very sweet soprano; but last night she was suffering from a very severe cold.

The Musee's Many Attractions.

The usual big crowd attended the Monday performances at the Musee. The Zarros' magic decapitation act in the curio hall was very mystifying. Smith's educated goat created much mirth. Wilson, the expansionist, showed a great infantry capacity. The theatre performance is a really good one and well worth witnessing. Morris Cronin is a clever Indian club juggler and was properly applauded. The other performers are Stuart Bendetto, a clever female impersonator; John Binns and Jessie Burns, comedist and snare drummers; the Maginleys, Ed and Lotta, daring double trapezists, and finally Kittye and Bobby Emmett, natural Irish vocalists and dancers. The show is above the average.

A Rising Artist.

Miss Bell-Smith of the Ontario and Philadelphia Schools of Oratory, together with a small, but select company of artists, are going shortly to give a series of concerts throughout the province. Those who have seen Miss Bell-Smith's remarkable portrayal of "Leah," in which character ample room is given for the highest emotional effect, will be inclined to prophesy that the tour will be in every way a success.

Notes.

The plan of the Canadian Foresters' concert opened at Nordheimers' yesterday and never in the history of this society's concerts have so many seats been reserved in such a short space of time. The plan will open again to-morrow at 10 and those holding 50c. tickets should reserve their seats before it is too late.

Toronto to New York.

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La Grippe and R. D. C.

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LAND OF THE RISING SUN

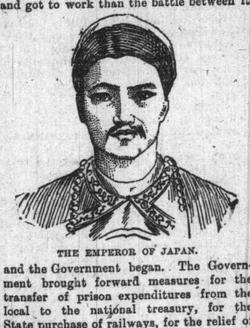
JAPAN'S PROBLEM AND PROGRESS IN SELF-GOVERNMENT.

Efforts to Reduce Taxation Result in the Dissolution of Their Youthful Parliament—No Advance in Industial and Commercial Enterprises Possible for a Year.

Special correspondence from the Land of the Rising Sun shows that Japan has been making very interesting history during the past few weeks. Constitutional government in the Orient has come to the test, and a fiery trial it is. The second Parliament of Japan assembled on November 26, in the new buildings of the Diet, which are very commodious, convenient and tasteful. For several days before the convening of the houses the buildings had been thrown open to the general public, and immense crowds pressed in to see the place—the first in Asia where plebians even may hope to influence the national government.

The session was again opened by H.I.M., the Emperor in person. He made a short speech to the houses, in which he said: "We thoroughly appreciate the fact that the Constitutional progress of this Empire has been in every way satisfactory."

But no sooner had Parliament convened and got to work than the battle between it



THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

and the Government began. The Government brought forward measures for the transfer of prison expenditures from the local to the national treasury, for the State purchase of railways, for the relief of the earthquake sufferers, the founding of an immense iron foundry, and other schemes which had as their object the development of the national resources. Nearly all of them were rejected by the House of Representatives. The Prime Minister had told the House at the outset that the Cabinet could not consent to any reduction being made in the current budget. The House, however, was not so easily overcome, as they had been told the same thing a year ago, and the Cabinet had finally consented to a reduction of six and a half million yen. They had, therefore, the same hopes for this year also, and accordingly proposed a reduction of nearly ten million out of the budget's eighty million yen.

The reason of the House making these sweeping reductions, ostensibly was that they wished to lighten the burden of taxation. The real reason, however, was that they professed to have no confidence in the ability and integrity of the present Cabinet, and it was therefore desired to oust the ministry, since they could not be entrusted with the carrying out of the immense schemes now proposed. Under such circumstances there was clearly no alternative left the Cabinet but to resign or to appeal to the country. They resolved to appeal to the country by dissolving the House and ordering a new election.

It should be stated here that only the lower of the two Legislative branches is subject to dissolution, as the peers are not elected but are appointed by the Emperor for a term of seven years. The upper House was therefore prorogued. The notice of dissolution was couched in the fewest words possible, and reads as follows: "We do hereby, in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution, order the House of Representatives to be dissolved."

The practical effect of the dissolution is that last year's budget will have to stand for another year, the Constitution so providing. This means that there can be no improvements over last year, no new industries or enterprises fostered by the general Government; in short it means a comparative standstill of the National progress. It will also have the effect of increasing the surplus in the treasury to some thirteen million yen without lightening the burdens of the people.

The country has been appealed to and must now decide what shall be the future policy of the Government. There are five strong opposition political parties, the leading one among them being the Kaishinto, and while they cannot agree on minor points they have, nevertheless, combined against the Government in the coming struggle. They propose to unite in electing the candidate of the party strongest in the respective election districts. If they can unite thus they are almost sure to defeat the Government. It is, however, quite doubtful that they will hold together sufficiently well for success, even though their only hope lies in this coalition.

The opposition has shown itself too radical, and has forfeited much of the public sympathy it once had. The bill for the purchase of railways by the State, which was introduced by the present Ministry, was very popular throughout the country. The House rejected this. Many prefectural assemblies have for several years petitioned to have the local prison expenditures transferred to the National Treasury, and popular opinion favored it, but that also was killed by the House.

In consequence of all this the keenest interest is being felt in the result of the elections which will occur probably on February 15. The third Parliament will be convoked about the first of April next. What its political complexion will be is difficult to foretell. While the whole nation is panting for greater liberty of speech, press and public meetings, and longs to see the franchise extended, beside other necessary advancements made, yet most people seem to doubt that a change in the Cabinet, such as the opposition desire to effect, would afford the relief sought.

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