The Toronto World.

MONDAY MORNING, MAY 15, 1852 THE ELECTIONS.

The probability is that the elections will gullible people be on next month ; at least everyone interested is preparing for a contest at the earliest possible moment. There are quite

a number of constituencies in which cardidates have not yet been chosen owing to the uncertainty created by the redistribution act. But this week will in all likelihood see parliament prorogued and the country. thrown into the hest of a general parliamentary election.

OUR HARBOR The storms are over for the present, and it may be some months before the exist. ence of the island is again threatened. But there is not a moment to be lost in securing the permanence of the harbor. Owing partly to past neglect and partly to the prevalance of severe storms the island as everyone knows is now in a precarious condition The harbor is dependendent as a harbor on the preservation of the island. It therefore behooves the city council to at once open communication with the depart. ment of public works in the matter. may yet save the island, preserve our harbor, and have a magnificent waterscope park for the residence of some, and a recreation ground for all of our citizens.

THE QUESTION BROUGHT UP.

We would direct attention to the Mail' munity. report of what was said on Friday last in the house of commons on the question o

Chinese immigration, which will be found in another column. We are glad that Mr. De Cosmos has done his duty in this matter and it is a hopeful sign, too, that Sir John is by no means in favor of iChinese in large numbers coming to Canada to stay. Their presence, he believes, would not be a wholesome thing for the country. Still, the necessity of getting the railway built ies to the country-or to himself ? has to be considered, and the laborers may be sent back to their own country when the work is finished. Further,-and this is something we are glad to hear from so good an authority as Sir John-he says that it is quite in the hands of the legis. lature to deal with the difficulty. This is decidedly something gained, but the matter cannot be allowed to rest for all

AFTER THE N. P.

The Globe refuses to believe that the N.P. is a settled issue in this country though the people four years ago by a large majority repudiated the position taken by the Globe on this question it still persists in trying to get behind the record and have the issue re-opened. It has been sending a commissioner over the country to collect evidence against the N.P. ; his instruction were "get all you can against it." He has done so and on this one-sided evidence the pockets to the thief. Globe hopes to influence the country. In ess that journal

hundreds of dollars over to him every year -always retaining of course a good comlanada -and yet for one dollar they secured for some "looked for person" the have been parties to plundering ten out o

CANADIAN INDEPENDENCE - THE PRESS TBY R. W. PHIPPS] Among the symptoms which show clearly the ill effect of a dependent political status none are more gross, none more prominent, than the contemptible position ocenpied by almost the entire Canadian press.

Of that press it is not sufficient to say that. whereas it is its duty to be the leader. it is becoming merely the subservient follower of public opinion. He who wishes to state truly the present position of the Canadian press, must declare, however little it may please him as a Canadian to write it; however little it may please his Canadian eaders to hear it, that the Canadian press instead of being regarded as a trustworthy preceptor, as an adviser, honest at least and well informed to the extent of its ability -instead of this, its advices, its state ments, its remarks, are now, in very many cases indeed, looked upon with suspicion and distrust -- a suspicion and distrust only too well founded-a state of affairs rapidly tending to make the Canadian press, which should be the pillar of our strength-and

the oride of the land-the mere laughing. topics careful, well-considered, well-exstock and contempt of the whole com.

pressed articles, to point out what has been lone in lands elsewhere and at periods Let us take any measure proposed in parliament, not of such importance as to draw forth expressions from the independent thinkers of the country, but on which the joint wisdoms of parliament and the press are left monarchs of all they survey. What description of knowledge is farmer, merchant, or workman likely to get from his toll-gates. This is part of the silly system newspapers, of the merits or demerits of the case-of the possible benefits or injurof setting the farmer against the townsman. practiced by grit and tory to this day. The Now, one moment I must delay my fact is, their interests are identical. Yet reader, and beg him to consider that he i the farmer rubs his hands, taps his pocket, not in Europe, nor in any old settled region. views his toll-bar with pleasure, and thinks There governments are merely administrahe is taking the cost of his roads out of the tive and politics can be left to a few. townsman. The actual result is that no

Here governments are more than adminisone either drives or rides who can help it, trative ; they are distributive ; they have and that the adjacent farmers neither can at first in their hands the whole region and breed, rear, nor sell one in ten of the horses all its wealth. All that is now of most they otherwise would, thus depriving value here was fifty years back in the their farms of the easiest and most of the poem I say nothing. But the verse hands of the government ; all that will be profitable part of their natural was very fair anapaestic measure, and had hands of the government ; all that will be profitable part of their natural of most value here fifty years, yes, even return. But the farmer has no local press it had the revision generally given before the country of Mongolians or Chinese em twenty years from now, is even yet in the to explain and calculate this for him. It publishing, every anapaest in it would have igrants. But at present it was simply hands of some of our governments. In is too busy getting itself appointed a regis. been, as most of them were, as accurate as Europe merely administration, here pros- trar or a landing waiter, where it shall rot those in Colman's "Lodgings to Let," or perity or adversity are in their keeping. and grow gray on a small salary in a back Dr. Watt's "Sluggard." But the Mail

settling, using and improving the public shall get into power, as long as its life-or not anything like it. But here is the point. resources, just so will Canada, and you and its living death-shall last. I with it, grow rich or poor. Here, if we do not attend to politics, we open our vancement in the arts-in social science- tradict the statement. And they wonder at hand. No doubt Chinese were estee Well, as I was saying, what information in oratory-in all those thousand timprove-ments which mark the difference between

ig the exhausted soil of older will be used-means we now , but no editor cares to divert his ct where nind long mough from his grit and tory country-that we enjoy every right of enclack to speak of what would double the franchised citizens-and knowing at the annual value of the land, and enrich alike same time that, without a vote, or the right

farm, town and village throughout all our to say a single word in the matter, Canborders. Means will some day be put in ada can be involved in war where she borders. Means will some day be put in motion to preserve the miserable remnant that will then exist of our once magnificent forests, destroyed and bartered away, for a that will then exist of our once magnificent forests, destroyed and bartered away, for a sum not the hundredth part of the value the right, and can be placed in such a pos-for hands there he could only get the en-for hands there he could only get the en-for hands there he could only get the entney might have been to the country, by ition, that, in mere self-defence, they will be men who could not get em combinations between reckless lumber compelled to incur debts which will impov. Francisco. That was the difficulty the speculators and careless local governments; erish them for many years. That this can he (Sir John Maclonald) believed that the speculators and careless local governments; and means will some day, at immense ex-pense, be taken to replace them. Means interpreter the form the form the some day at immense of the done, bas been done, and very likely will be done, just with as little inquiry as to our with the done, and the some replace them. Means of Canada, and her numerous ports, fashioned by nature for immediate intercourse with the sea, a matter of great local importance to half of older Canada-a matter now crushed out of public know- wondering, on other matters, that people ledge by the combined force of the British shipping and the Canadian railway interests -two sets of people who would, I think, gladly see all danger of competition removed by the St. Lawrence and the lakes being filled up and turned to dry land all the press allthrough Canada to-day. And nothing way west of Montreal. In all these matters. would tend to a greater improvement in the and in a thousand others of no less import. ance, the way should be led by the local Canada than an improvement in the press. press. It is theirs to put the machinery in How is it to be obtained ?

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What is the result? The profession deprived of their writers. They drop off hands. And things stay as they are. How disease," in the Globe, it was, of course, Just as they do well or ill in giving out, office at the orders of every loafer who choose to call it doggrei. It was not doggrel,

> Not a journal from the Atlantic to the And what local literature, what local ad- Pacific knew enough of the matter to con- the believed that this future was now near in oratory—in all those thousand improve-And concerning that in presing if the some 100 or 200, were employed in And, concerning that, in passing, if th

ter builder or carpenter, who should engage him men to work on the road. John Macdonald) got him a man, and later on some lifty or sixty carpenters were taken was corre tly informed as to the of their black slaves when they declared war in 1861. Yet the Canadian press, the year round, is never weary of declaring this a country of free citizens, and then wondering on other matters, that people wondering, on other matters, that people think they may not mean what they say. Nothing more strongly bears out the ax-iom, that as a people are in great affairs, so they will be in small them the weak onion. they will be in small, than the weak, opin-ionless, overruled, ox-driven state of our vants at all That was the testimony of householders on the Island, and he pre-sumed it would be the same on the mainpublic spirit, intelligence and capacity of were not likely to become permanent settlers, and he did not think there was any How is it to be obtained ? In the first place, pay your writers more. At present, even on the leading Toronto papers, the remuneration of a writer is not much greater, sometimes not as great, as that of a bricklayer. I have known one danger of there being a mixing of races,

before the present, to describe the means that of a bricklayer. I have known one lature to deal with it; but up to the used, and to state how such efforts may of those papers to advertise it had secured present, as he understood, white labor in used, and to state how such efforts may here be emulated. In how many instances a well-informed and powerful local press could be of great value it is impossible to calculate. Take one instance. The country roada surrounding Canadian cities are between the surrounding Canadian cities a noticed in newspapers though that so vessels had been chartered to bring several loses all its best men. Openings for talent Chinese laborers to work on the railway in other lines occur; and the public are In the absence of white labor, and in view of the importance of completing the raildeprived of their writers. They drop off into commerce, into law, into physic, and —the proprietors hire some more cheap coming permanent settlers. Their prenere, he believed, would not be a who hands. And things stay as they are. Iton literature is encouraged and understood I will give an instance. When Phillips understood is an alien race, and there could have assimi-lation of the races, therefore when the lation of the races, therefore when the temporary exigencies had been overcom and when there was a railway stretchi attacked by the Mail. Now, of the matter across the cont nest, and there was a means AUCTION CIRCULAR. of sending in white settlers, he would quite ready to join to a reasonable extent

question of Chinese labor or no railway. The government had not had its attention specially call d to this matter before, but the subject would engage its attention for the future Mr. DeCosmos was glad to hear that the

premier would be favorable to the restric-tion of Chinese immigration in future, but

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best to injure the chances of Mr. Blake We have good reason to believe that the Globe is bent on ruining him politically, if it can. It has never supported him cordially in any one position ; it has often attacked him over the shoulders of his near friends ; and it is constantly trying to lead him into a miry pit. On the real live issues, on those great questions on which the people have never yet had an opportunity of declaring on, the Globe has had little to say and less advice to give. Not only has the Globe found the policy which it tried to ram down the throats of its discarded, but it finds itself discarded in the independent and thinking men of its own party.

THE CHINESE AS SLAVES.

style :-

We have to make answer that slaves they are to all intents and purposes, as far as can be ascertained. In the first place they are brought from their own country and their passage paid by an organization of Chinese capitalists known as the "six companies." The companies bargain before hand for the work the laborers are to do, and the wages they are to get. What per centage the companies actually retain as their profits on the business nobody but themselves knows; and even American newspaper interviewers have been bafiled in the attempt to find out. The contracts made in this way hold good in Chinese law, and any unfortunate Ah twenty columns, if necessary. Sin or Wo Kee who might manage to return to his native country, after having broken his contract for labor to be performed in America, would find himself "in" for pains and penalties that would make his case a warnwhole reform line : ing to others. Disputes among the Chinese in San Francisco are seldom carried before American courts of law, but are mostly decided by some authority existing among themselves, and the judgments given by such authority are enforced, too. The fact is that Chinese laborers, even though living on American soil and under the stars and stripes, are still held in rigorous obedience to the laws and customs of their own country. From this subjection few of them, apparently, ever make the attempt to escape. They, or the large majority of them, are really and practically slaves ; and columns. to talk of them as if they were free laborers is utter nonsense.

NEXT-OF-KIN FRAUDS.

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There is much interest manifested in discoveries of resources and the England over a trial of several parties on applying them will not - means of dian press to-day occupying on the posi-tion of comparison. Then had a next, Many of them ' some day be made. dian of Canadian independence, perhaps a charge of conspiracy. They had a next-of kin agency, they advertised for persons of certain names, and then bled the writers of certain names, and then bled the writers of certain names, and then bled the writers of letters sent in reply. They led all their correspondents to believe that there was correspondents to believe the there was correspondents to believe there was cor money coming to them, and under pretext of making searches they fleeced them out fencing. Later a demand survey up for it is 2" "Was" "Then we may wanture to be the main must be content if he received what he might deem an unsatisfactory of making searches they fleeced them out fencing. Later, a demand sprung up for it so ?" "Yes." "Then we may venture to of various sume. This came business is for staves. The editor of our country paper romark." "Was that Mr. Blake's exprescarried on extensively in Canada; one inquiry, to find the timber grew in the inquiry, to find the timber grew inquiry, to find the timber gr with hots of "persons wanted" or for heirs vicinity. We had been burning it for pect their editorials treated with attention; of "unclaimed estates." Greenies are al- twelve years under his nose, and three- and get it, too, just such as they earn. ways forthcoming, and they all give the fourths of what had been in the country Take their position on independence. Is gration from Canada and Europe, that the

will he get ? Will one journal in Canada society and herding-might be obtained. examine the laws, quote the precedents, find what interests are jeopardized what aspatriotic press. How great is the power of "Quis custodiet custodes ?" sisted, what is the value to the country words, placed in order by a master of and whence derived, what course has been thought. Take one instance : Lord Mapursued elsewhere, what is proper here? | cauly was in an Indian town ; matters were Will it give a couple of leading articles, in | dull ; amusements vapid ; he was reading fact, which shall be, as all leading articles | Clarissa-then, as now, a forgotten work. should, three-fourths "NEWS" information? | But he wrote a few vivid sentences concern-Very doubtful. Perhaps the Globe or ing it ; he read a few passages in that style Mail may make a spasmodic sort of failure which used to crowd the house ; he spoke to do sc. As for the rest they will simply of the book to his friends. The whole of glance at their party organs, look to see the English residents went into a fit of enwhat the leader has said in the house, and thusiasm, and " Clarissa" tided them safely the tory journals finding that Sir John has over what had threatened to be the dullest laid down the axiom that twice two are season ever known.

six, will make their comments in this So, were our press throughout Canada in

the hands of able, energetic, patriotic men, "Of course no one in their senses will The other day our correspondent "Can. seriously dispute this, though there would lead the neighborhood. On all the adian" asked whether the Chinese labor- is never any telling how far subjects I have suggested, and a thousand grit mendacity, obstinacy, (impudence others, what fields of thought lie open to and ignorance may venture. It the view. What emulation might be arousis quite enough for all purposes, we fancy, ed in the minds of the young ; what bene. certainly for all purposes of this journal. ficial results might follow to the country at to say that twice two has always been underlarge. stood to make six by all reasoning men, and

But what is there? The fact is that our that any attempt to impugn the correctness of press, divided into party lines and running the statement would sap the foundations of after party leaders, have lost the confidence the national policy, sever the tie which of their readers. The public say, "This binds us to the mother land, and level the man is willing, so that he can hit the party deadly blow of the secret assassins at the opposite, to say what he and I know is not vitals of the community. It is grit all over true. He is willing to garble, as I and all through. But it will meet its fate see by the articles he has cut extracts at the hustings, when the long-delayed from. He leaves out contexts. If he vengeance of an outraged, --etc., etc., " will do this for his party I cannot believe him in other matters." On the other hand the reform papers wil And the editor feels it, and has no heart to look to their compass. "What did the write. Then, some have no time, some no Globe say ?" How far did Blake go ?"

ability, some hire cheap editors, some over-'Oh. he proved that twice two were five.' drive them into the production of trash. "All right." Then will come out along the And take it all in all, and go over them where you find them in bulk, a row of Ca-"We should be untrue to the glorious nadian papers shall give you as few ideastraditions of the great reform party, bearing I think fewer ideas-than any other literaon its sculptured monuments the undying ture I have ever seen. And the whole root, records of a thousand such and similar beginning, commencement and end of the vindications of the truth, if we did not lamentable vacuity is the lack of independdeclare that twice two are, have been, and ence. A writer of spirit-one fit to be must be, five. How the pure and innate called a writer-a thinker, a reasoner, one cussedness of tory malignity can, with all fit to take place and part in that great its brazen obduracy of front, have the face to maintain the contrary, we cannot the press should no more accent his ideas to maintain the contrary, we cannot the press, should no more accept his ideas imagine. But wait till the elections, when of right and wrong, fitness or unf-

the pent-up fury of a shocked and horri- from minister or member, spee' fied-etc., etc., etc.," any number of temporary, than he shor' ... Ker or conout, which he min' and put his own eyes insist on set almost as well do as It is ing with other people's. There is scarcely a part of the older districts-there is not a part of the newer

districts of Canada-where many valuably system that you will find the whole Cana-

ames I see advertised for it are to criticise encouraged, improved by an intelligent and Canadian literature, might I venture to ask

Independence is the root of all. Had Canadians the wit to understand that they cannot learn to swim without going into the water had they the courage-and surely with their ancestry they must have it-to take their stand among nations - taking all risks, winning or losing, a sympathetic thrill of ardor would pass along every branch of her industries, and fire the hearts of every one of her citizens with the knowledge that. come what might, his country had done

ne worthy action. The press, the pulpit, the bar would strive to emulate in their way the great deed the people had performed. A new Canada would arise, differing from this as light from darkness. But in the very effort we need most of all that we have not-an independent press.

To secure it I should urge on every citi. zen-subscribe only for those papers which encourage true literary ability, and which are willing to pay for it. Read, examine their articles. If they are stolen or second hand, a rehash of the London or New York reviews, avoid them as poison-there is

leath to the mind in stolen literature, for the thief who steals cannot but infect what he steals with his poisonous hands, But those who employ good writers, give them a living salary, and give you clear, powerfully written, instructive writings, support with all your heart. One such ournal in your bouses shall do you and your family as much good as the trashy productions of to-day often do you harm-

and they do you much. THE CHINESE QUESTION IN PARLIAMENT. The following is taken from the Mail's report of proceedings in the house of comnons on Friday, 12th inst.:

Before the orders of the day, Before the orders of the day, Mr. DeCosmos called the situation of government to the fact of the great in Chinese immigration into P^{-1} incre-bia, where 24,000 were situation Column 112¹/₂ King Street West, + DCrease ...tish Colu before August, making expected to arrive expected to arrive vince 32,000 greater than was to be

Jast passed a law prohibiting Chinese im-migration during a certain period, and that these people were invading the other countries in the Pacific ocean, to the great detriment of their inhabitants. It would be seen how important a relation this ques white labor in the western tion bore to sone chief result of this dwarfing the fact that in New South Wales a pol portion of the Dominion. He mentioned tax of £10 was imposed on Chinamen, and adverted to the ciccumstance that Amerito avert the evils which must result from will be submitted to subscribers at a meeting to be called at an early date

would continue. It was of the very greatest importance, therefore, in order that British Columbia should have a steady flow of emi-Chairman. NOTICH wily next-of-kin agent anything from a dollar up to five. There is a firm in this citions of the manufacturing possibilities it not beyond measure irritating, of the country will be found. Means of the key of the country will be found. Means of the country will be found. Means of the writers on every opport. city that acts for this schemer, and sends of the country will be found. Means of to hear all these writers, on every oppor-to hear all these writers, on every oppor-statel that be employed every white man

in this way, while there were 5000 in the province when the census was taken, and 5000 more of them had since arrived.

Mr. Rochester said that people in this country would be glad to get Chinese or any other labor. Neither farmers nor mill owners could obtain the number of men REAL ESTATE having the same to sell by auction will have thei property well placed on the market, the sales well conducted, and a moderate scale of charges. they absolutely required. (Hear, hear.) A small batch of immigrants came out here the other day, and in a few minutes they were all engaged, and if they had been ten Bank and railway shares and bonds, municipal tebentures, mining, building and loan society stocks anufacturing company's shares, vessel property, achinery, and plant of every description sold by metion at any time or here. or twenty times as numerous they would not have satisfied the demand.

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