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throughout the Province to re-  
peat the efforts so often made to

maintain and increase its circula-  
tion, it is, perhaps, best to ask

them to find in its past record the  
most conclusive evidence that it

will in the future be deserving of  
their support.

It publishes all news of im-  
portance or interest, and, al-  
though for want of space the news

is sometimes condensed, nothing is  
omitted that appears to be of  
the smallest value.

All public questions are, as  
usual, dealt with fully and fran-  
kly. The readers of the FREEMAN

have ample opportunity of form-  
ing a correct opinion on all the  
subjects and matters which en-  
gage the attention of Parliament

and of the country. Great care  
is taken to furnish accurate in-  
formation and to present both

sides of every important question  
fully and fairly.

It is probable that important  
changes in Canada are not very  
distant. It seems impossible that

when the United States have dis-  
covered how unjust and injurious  
a high protective fiscal system is,

and when the people of Canada  
have learned, by sad experience,  
how great a fraud it is, N. P. is

favoring and securing profit to a  
few monopolists only, and bur-  
dening grievously farmers, mil-

lners, fishermen, and mechanics,  
a state of things so fraught can  
continue very long. Already

there are too many indications of  
another commercial crisis. The  
people of the North West have

already discovered how injurious  
to them is the monopoly of their  
carrying trade, given for twenty

years to the Canada Pacific Rail-  
way Syndicate, and, although  
they are yet but few in number,

they show a determination to get  
rid, at all hazards, of the chains  
which already galled them; and in

the ranks of the Tory party itself  
throughout the Dominion, al-  
though these are held together by the

cohesive power of public plunder,  
there are symptoms of weakness  
and disintegration. Toryism is

an exotic in Canada, and can not  
be acclimatized. Nurtured in cor-  
ruption, it did grow vigorous,

and its roots spread far and wide,  
but even now it shows signs of  
a decay which can not be arrested.

He must be blind, indeed, to the  
signs of the times who supposes  
that this Tory Government, be-  
cause it has secured so large a

Parliamentary majority by means  
so disgraceful, is fastened on the  
country for five years more.

Much attention is devoted to  
foreign news and a weekly review  
of what goes on in the civilized  
world.

The agitation for an amendment  
of the Land Laws, and for the  
restoration of Home Rule, will

continue in Ireland. What is  
done and said by the leaders of  
that agitation, is systematically

misrepresented or misconstrued,  
and the Irish people are persist-  
ently misrepresented and calum-  
niated, the crimes committed in

the country exaggerated in num-  
ber and character, and the whole  
people made responsible for the

crimes of a few, as far as telegrams  
and newspaper articles can make  
them responsible. The FREEMAN

constantly labors to correct all  
such misrepresentations, and to  
place the policy of the leaders,

and the conduct of leaders and  
people in a proper light. To en-  
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