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The eventful year of 1889 is ended, and the last decade of the century is begun. What the new year may bring forth to any of us no one can foretell, and there is really no use in borrowing trouble even for to-morrow. Let us be philosophers, and make the best of our circumstances, whatever they may be—say, though in gripe have us temporarily in its tentacles—our condition will not become worse through the putting in force of such a resolution, even if it should be broken, for it really is better to make good resolves and break them—unintentionally or through weakness, of course—than never to resolve to turn over a new leaf at all. The very effort entailed in honest endeavor will strengthen the fabric, and tend to make the resolver a better man. But whether the present reader has made up his mind to turn over a new leaf with the advent of 1890, or may deem it prudent not to put in a peg, but to keep on the even tenor of the way pursued by him in the departed year, it is meet that the ADVERTISER should wish him with the many thousands who daily peruse these columns,

A HAPPY NEW YEAR,
and the continuance in the year just entered on of cordial relationships as have subsisted between writer and reader in the twelve months now gone. "Many more of them, gentle reader!"

WHO ARE IN THE FIELD?
In London at the close of the recent municipal nomination there were 31 candidates for the fifteen aldermanic chairs; but it is rumored around the city that a number of the gentlemen proposed gave no authority for the use of their names and decline to go to the polls. It is hard for anyone to definitely say, therefore, who is or is not in the field in some of the wards, but this much is certain, our advertising columns show that there are two mayoralty candidates, and they further demonstrate that a number of the candidates are enterprising enough to tell the people that they desire their suffrages. The electors will no doubt make a note out.

LAUGHABLE, THOUGH RASCALLY.
The Tory leaders are going into the funny business with a vengeance these days. We pointed out a few days ago that Mr. Dalton McCarthy's record was such that no self-respecting Liberal could be beguiled into following in his alleged independent footsteps. Since then we have had additional evidence that Mr. McCarthy is but doing the bidding of his unscrupulous master at Ottawa where he mounts the high moral horse, and for the purposes of present party necessities pretends to repudiate the deeds of his associates. Mr. McCarthy resigned the presidency of the Conservative Association of Ontario, in order, so he said, that he might be free to act as he saw fit on public questions. But he did not resign his office of joint controlling spirit of the Empire newspaper, founded at the instance of Sir John Macdonald, to jump as he commanded, to give utterance to just such ideas as the inner circle of the centralizers might deem prudent, and to obey the every behest of the ringsters who were inveigled into contributing handsomely to keep it alive. He sat at the Empire meeting the other day, expressed the greatest gratification at the success of the paper, and indorsed its principles. He must have known that, glib though he may have found many Canadians to be, they must be given credit for greater intelligence than to believe that a man who is chief cook and bottle washer for another person—to wit, in this instance, Sir John Macdonald—can in any measure be independent of that other person.

Now, we believe now, as for some time back the logic of events has forced all discriminating Canadians to believe, that the whole Equal Rights movement, so far as the Tory leaders and vote manipulators are concerned, is an expedient by which the adventurers would fain, by misrepresentation and appeals to prejudice, cause injury to the Liberal Government of Ontario, and correspondingly add to the strength of the Tories in both the Legislature and the House of Commons. We are all the wiser able to reach this conclusion, not only from Mr. McCarthy's twistings and turnings, but from the conduct of well-known Tories in this city, who at first took a very prominent part in the Equal Rights movement, protesting that they had forever washed their hands clean of their old party, as corrupt, cowardly, and not to be trusted, but who are now, on one excuse or another, springing back into the Tory ranks, leaving their dupes to take care of themselves. It would be easy in this connection to particularize; but we need go no further than the exhibition which a London official made

at a recent public debate. It was shocking to know better than to have to fight to have the object of this kind, nevertheless, the gathering of the object was significant. The Tory blatant member of that party, allied himself with the supposedly "Liberal" Equal Rights movement in the Legislature, and in high hopes that he would be able to rope in some unthinking Tory by his little dodge.

This kind of work is being carried on along the line. The McCarthy and Taylors are working tooth and nail to recruit for the Tory ranks by a crusade against the Mowat Government of Ontario, and misrepresentation, yet what do we find in the Province of Quebec? What is the Tory programme there? The diametrically opposite to that which is laid down in this Province. Le Courier du Canada, Sir Hector Langevin's paper, goes through the mock heroics of branding McCarthy as a traitor, who has really—yes, really and truly—nothing to do with the Tory party. Hear that, ye gods, and stop the thunder! Nothing to do with the Tory party, though he is in the pay of the Dominion Cabinet, though he contributes liberally with the other bosses to keep afloat the subsidized organ, which a disinterested public refuse to pull out of the mire! Nothing to do with the Tory party, though he has recently been engaging in long and earnest conferences with Sir John Macdonald, Mr. Meredith, and other lights of that aggregation! Sir Hector, tell your yarn to the mythical marines. They may believe you. No one in Ontario, unless he be either a knave or a fool, will accept your disclaimer founded on fact.

The truth is that the Tory party have different programmes for the two Provinces, and they are working them for all they are worth. McCarthy pretends independence for the purpose of catching votes in Ontario, and Langevin, Chapleau and his associates do as read out of their two wings of the party can be augmented by these glibble enough to be taken in by the respective protestations. It is a humiliating spectacle, but what cares Macdonald so long as the abasement of the McCarthy and the Taylors brings votes. Let no true Liberal be caught by such disgraceful expedients.

IN THE excitement of the municipal campaign, we have omitted to wish many happy returns of the season to that evergreen statesman, Wm. E. Gladstone, who has just celebrated his 80th birthday, and replied to the thousands of congratulatory messages sent to him that he is in the very best of health. May the wonderful old man long continue to exercise an influence for good in the country which he has served so long and so faithfully.

A SILVER LAKE, N.W.T. correspondent of the Winnipeg Free Press reports that rumbling noises—earthquakes, in fact—have been heard in that locality recently. It is well to remember that this is the holiday season, and that some men cannot help being responsible for the sounds that they hear. There are yet no good reasons for the conclusion that the prairies are built over extinct volcanoes.

THE Ottawa Free Press is now of age, having celebrated the 21st anniversary of its first publication on Monday. It has been doing a good deal more than a man's work for the cause of good government for many a long day.

A "not-so-young-as-he-used-to-be" correspondent writes that the weather of the last month corresponds with the month preceding the advent of 1890. It certainly resembles that prevalent in 1875, though perhaps a trifle cooler.

NO MAN or woman now living is ever likely to date a document without using the figure 9. It now stands in the third place, where it will remain ten years. It will then move up to the second place, 1900, and there it will rest 100 years.

MAX O'Rell, the lecturer and critic, did so well in the United States last year that he has been moved to return, and he is now crossing the Atlantic. It is possible that the witty Fenian will on his coming tour visit leading Canadian cities.

WE CALL the attention of the Medical Health Officer to the fact that Mayoralty and aldermanic candidates are giving "the grip" to everyone within reach. The epidemic should be combated in time.

TO-DAY is the appointed time for swearing off, once again, forever, and ever, from your favorite peccadillo. The date for beginning again is a movable feast.

A SPRING of petroleum discovered in the Wisconsin iron range has been tested and proved genuine.

THE YEAR 1889 came in like the king of beasts, but it went out like unto a youthful lamb.

THE natural increase of the population of Germany is really surprising. The territory of Germany sustained in 1870, 40,816,249 inhabitants; at the last census of 1885, this figure had increased to 46,855,704. The natural increase has therefore been more than 6,000,000 in fifteen years, not including the emigration. By including this in the total, the natural increase will be found to be fully 5,000,000 souls per year. The progression is seven or eight times larger than that of France.

THIS "olden-time-it-was-loaded" foolbird fair to be outdone by the even more comical jolly wit known as small children in their chubby and other inflammable material at festivals and then introduces them into rooms full of naked lights. The number of such cases this year seems to be above the average, and the results have been unusually distressing. It is a pity that this particular type of folly cannot be included under the head of criminal negligence.

One thing that has added immensely to

the power of the earth to its inhabitants is the art of preserving. Would it be out of all we eat is preserved in one way or another that was either known or not practiced but that steam report, the telegraph and the tin can have huddled the food power of the world.

ALIVE IN A COIN.

A Man's Body Sent by Rail His Son, When Signs of Life Were Found.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 31.—Jacob Garrett received a telegram in Saturday night announcing the sudden death of his father at Sandusky. The deceased was a man of about 60 years of age, and was a native of Ireland. He had been in the city of Sandusky for some time, and was well known to the community. He was a man of great energy and was a successful business man. He was a member of the local lodge of the Grand Old Law of the United States. He was a man of great energy and was a successful business man. He was a member of the local lodge of the Grand Old Law of the United States.

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