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## THE TIMES.

I have not yet found a satisfactory answer to the question "what is the matter with the Liberals?" To say that there is great delay among them in bringing forward candidates is to put the matter mildly. The lack of judgment on the part of some of the prominent men among them seems to have paralyzed the whole party in Montreal. The Horald goes on day by day grinding out accusations against the Opposition like a mill-but the Mirald can hardly be expected to do all the work. I think the secret of it is that the rank and file are chaffing at the restrictions put upon them by their leaders.

But may it not be that they are not quite sure of their position. The cry of Protection or Free Trade is not at all understood-especially by the Liberals. I quoted from Mr. Mackenzie's speech to the effect that we were to follow England in the way of Free Trade, but here is a message I have received on a postal card:-"Imagine my surprise to find in your to-day's issue, on the first page, and in the first paragraph, 'the West will be mainly for him, that is to say for Free Trade.' Now, Sir, you ought to know as well as any man that our present Government does not propose free trade, that it has increased the duties, and that the application 'Iree Trade' to it is a calumny which a righteous man should not condescend to countenance. Yours, Justice." Now, I believe that " Justice," who writes from Kingston, is a fair specimen of many of the party. They do not understand the profession of their leaders. But why not ask those leaders to come out with clear and definite statements which honest men can see through? If they did that they would tell us that the cry of Protection or Free Trade is only being used for party purposes, and that the question came as a direct issue for a long time. The only source of revenue at present is the tariff-which, I think, should be so adjusted as not to prevent importation and thus diminish revenue, instead of increasing it-and should also afford a fair protection to manufacturers. Neither party can do much more or much less than this-so after all the question is between the ins and the outs. Meantime the Liberal Brass Band will play to the tune of the Pacific Scandal, and Gideon's Band will thunder "Sir John and Protection" at every pienic.

Apropos of that opinion, here is a letter 1 have received on the matter of Mr. M. P. Ryan, to whom I am supposed to have done some injury by criticising his address. As matters now stand I have no objection to endorsing this letter:-

Sik,--In the election which is about to take place, Montreal must either return three supporters of the Opposition or reduce its representation to one voice in the House. If Messrs. Gault, Coursol, and Devlin should be elected, that will be the case; but I do not apprehend such a result. I only mention it as I have noticed your criticism on Mr. Ryan's address. Let me remind you that when the Hon. T. D. McGee was assassinated at Ottawa, Mr. Devlin, who had been a bitter political opponent and aspirant for his seat in Parliament, did not present himself, and Mr. Ryan was unanimously chosen as Montreal's member. He was also elected by acclamation on another occasirn. His course in Parliament was consistent as a supposter of Sir John A. Macdonald. Now, Sir, at the present moment, Montreal is suffering perhaps more than any other part of Canada, from the reckless financial policy of the present (iovernment; besides the tea and sugar trade destroyed, manufactures are paralyzed from the competition of the United States market. Importers are leaving Montreal and going West, and the tendency is for Ontario to be either supplied by way of New York and the Niagara frontier from England, or from American sources. In such an emergency should we prefer a man for our member who has spent his life in Criminal Law Courts, or an active trader in the City of Montreal? Mr. Devlin may call himself an Independent and a Protectionist, but both will be subservient to the wishes of the Mackenzie Government and its existence is a standing menace to the prosperity of our city. I therefore ask you to urge the electors to vote for Gault, Coursol and Ryan, as a means of creating a Government which will prevent Canada being a slaughterhouse for the over stock of goods of our friends across the line. Sir John A. Macdonald said that Mr. Devin was too slippery a fish for his net, and, regardless of his protestations, he is a strict party-man of the Grit-Rouge stamp.

> Elector.

A very important movement has commenced among the leather and cloth manufacturers of Montreal to protect themselves from men of bad credit. The Mercantile Agencies, which originally were admirably conducted, appear not to have enjoyed for some years past the confidence of a large number of manufacturers; hence this effort to organise among themselves an association for self-protection. It deserves to succeed.

Within the past week a general impression has prevailed that we have turned the corner and passed the crisis. Trade shows strong symptoms of a general revival, and that, too, on a solid financial basis. Weak men have gone into insolvency, and only strong men will venture to ask for credit. Several of our largest manufactories are working to their fullest extent, with orders waiting on them.

It is difficult to find amusement in these dull days, but I have found a source which I hereby recommend. Read the reports of political meetings and speeches as given by the Montreal Gazette and Herald, or by the Toronto Globc and Mail. Take the accounts of the Premier at Richmond, or the speech of Mr. Colby with reference to the Stanstead Scandal. The thing is really entertaining ; but what must be the effect upon the reporters?

The ladies of Toronto are going in for politics; not speaking on the public platform, but sending written resolutions proposed and seconded. That is good; we are in need of new blood and new manners If they can make us a little wiser and a great deal more gentle, they will have done a good and useful work.

The Canadian Methodists have a solid grievance: the elections are to take place within a few days of the meeting for Conference at Montreal. That is just like the liberal party. Most important laymen will be distracted ; they will be mixing politics with theology, and we shall have no end of confusion. It is a pity that the two events are so close together. Why not put off the elections? Mr. Mackenzie should. choose his time with more judgment.

Chicago is still in doubt whether she will go barefoot next winter or be shod by Chinesc. The strike of the thousand shoemakers continues, and the manufacturers have become as solid a unit as their late hired hands. Having stock for six weeks of trade, they say they can afford to wait if the other side does not wish to labour. The appearance in that city at the time of writing is that Ah Sin will earn the bread at about fifty-five cents a day which the poor but proud Yankee rejects. But a San Francisco press despatch claims that the Chinese Six Companies will not send a man to make shoes in Chicago for even $\$ 30$ per month, and that they are making from $\$ 25$ to $\$ 40$ per month where they are. And then the New York Crispins cry to their Western fellows to stick to their end, and let the Chinese have their lasts if they want them, tendering aid to the idlers and hinting that reciprocity may soon be needed here. Meanwhile some of the Chicago militia leaders promise quiet aid to the proposed riot if the Chinese appear.

The results of the Lambeth Conference are thus summarized by the London Times:-
"Such demonstrations as these have their value, but it is not often by the stirring of new thoughts that they are prompted. They stand for the fulfilment rather than for the promise-for the accomplished work rather than for the means by which new work is to be done. The Lambeth Conference is most properly a great demonstration of what the English Church has grown to be. It helps us all to feel that our national form of religion is a vast and widely-spreading influence, co-extensive with our race, and dependent upon something better and more enduring than the accident of place or of establishment. If we are to have further results, it is to the by-play and to the afterwave of the great movement that we may look for them with the most assurance."

Secret treaties are evidently Lord Beaconsfield's forte. First, there was a secret treaty which made the Berlin Council possible; then there was a secret treaty with Turkey which made the Berlin Council of no account; then there were rumours of a third secret treaty, mysteriously hinted at and darkly half denied by the Government, which, now it appears probable, was one with France. By this reported treaty, for no official publication has yet taken place, France assumes the protectorate of Tunis, nominally a dependency of Turkey, really an independent State. France has been "protecting" Algeria ever since 183 I , and by this treaty adds to her colonial possessions a territory of 42,000 square miles, with a million and a half of inhabitants, a regular army of 5,000 troops and an annual revenue of \$1,300,000.

EDITOR.

## SIR FRANCIS HINCKS ON THE ORANGE QUESTION.

I am glad that the discussion of this most important question has been shifted from the unhealthy dust and noise of the streets-where the unreasoning and irresponsible persons attached to factions fall to riot-into the clearer, and it must be allowed somewhat calmer, atmosphere of law and reasonable debate. The sacred cause of right was never yet served by violence. Justice was never vindicated by recourse to arms. "Trust in God, and keep your powder dry," is an effort to bring the poles together-Christianity and barbarism. Right can never be attained by wrong methods. Reason has never yet spoken by gunpowder. A triumph gained by mere violence is a disaster to those who have won as much as to those who have lost. So that flaunting banners, walking in procession, shouting defiance, flourishing sticks and pistols, must go for less than nothing to those who earnestly desire and seek after peace based upon even-handed justice.

It is scarcely to be expected that this discussion upon which we have entered will be carried on without some display of a roused temper and a deep feeling-when a fire burns in the grate, the air in the room will get heated ; but I earnestly hope that we shall not import a Griffintown spirit into our speech. Personal and violent abuse has already done much harm. I may be allowed to tell the Montreal Evening Post that by its abusive language toward Orange-men-by its misrepresentations of them and their object-by its false statements concerning the oath they have taken, it has driven honest and honourable Orangemen, who had begun to hesitate, if not to doubt the expediency of Orangeism in this country, back upon the old lines, and welded them together in the determination not to yield an inch while they are branded with names which carry such infamy with them. Whether the Post, and papers of that class, have decided to eke out a precarious existence by keeping Orangeism alive and fanning the flame of Catholic hate I do not know ; but I do know that if they desire the well being of Catholic and Protestant society, they will refrain from violent language and misrepresentation. Madness of speech never ends with itself.

In the same way I would ask for justice toward Sir Francis Hincks when he ventures to express his opinion on the question before us. I presume it was not through any desire of his own that he gave evidence the other day before the Police Magistrate. I think it is worse than a pity to impute corrupt motives until we are sure that they exist; and I am certain that it is something so bad that I do not care to characterise it, when we say "Lady Hincks is a Catholic, and therefore, \&c., \&c.," when the whole thing is absolutely false. If Sir Francis has any sinister motives, I do not know what they are, nor whither he hopes they may lead ; but I do know that Lady Hincks is not " a Catholic, and therefore, \&c., \&c." I have not got a brief for Sir Francis; he has not got a pew in my church; he is not in any way identified with the SPECTATOR ; nor have I had, nor do I expect to receive from him, anything more than the ordinary courtesies of everyday life. Therefore I say this in the interest of free speech and fair judgment.

But I am distinctly at issue with the Hon. Knight in the opinions he expressed before the Police Magistrates, and in the letter which he has addressed to myself. Why he should have been called upon to give evidence in the Court at all I cannot understand. The case is not a civil, but a criminal one. The Orangemen were arrested and are being tried upon the assumption that they have broken the law ; the decision must rest with the presiding Magistrate; such decision being based upon his interpretation of the statutes of the realm as bearing upon the ascertained facts of the case. But in the wisdom of counsel for the prosecution he was called upon to give evidence as to the relation of Catholic and Protestant to the State, and the methods to be adopted in certain cases of emergency. And the evidence-or rather opinion as it should perhaps be properly called-was of a startling character. While I agree in the main with Sir Francis Hincks in his reading and interpretation of the history of Ireland since the rupture between England and the Papacy, I think he has mistaken the nature of Orangeism in Ireland. We should remember that the pendulum had been oscillating between the zone of Catholicism and that of Protestantism. The battle of the Boyne fixed it in the zone of Protestantism, so far as Europe was concerned. It was one of those great and decisive conflicts which come as shocks to the world, giving new and strong impulse to life. But like all such violent events the work accomplished was only partial. Roman Catholicism still existed in Ireland; broken indeed, but not crushed-and what remained of it rose up in fierce and bloody antagonism. The Irish Catholics got to regard, not merely England and Englishmen, but Protestantism and Protestants as their most deadly adversaries, opposed to their tranquility, their prosperity, their very life upon their own soil. What reason they had on their side I have told before in the SPECTATOR, and need not tell again; but it is easy to imagine what would be their attitude toward Irish Protestants. And we know how great reason existed that those Irish Protestants should band together for mutual protection as it regarded their property and their lives. As Sir Francis
has put it in his letter-the Orange Association was organised "chiefly for the purpose of defence." Banding together thus it was quite natural that they should honour the name of him who had so materially aided their cause. It is true that they were often guilty of most excessive cruelty-that they often abandoned the defensive and assumed the offensive-and that they identified themselves with allor nearly all-the measures adopted by the English to oppress or suppress the Irish Catholics. I am quite willing to allow that Orangeism was at one time a much-needed institution in Ireland-but the need for it there has long passed away, and the need for it here has never come.

But Sir Francis has broadened this question in a most extraordinary way. With regard to that part of his evidence which bore upon the interference of ecclesiastics in elections, and in which he declared it to be in his experience and judgment that the Protestant clergy busy themselves in that way just as much as the Catholic, I have only to say that Sir Francis must be perfectly well aware of the vast difference in the position of the two. The Protestant clergyman can only speak his judgment and advice-he can only exhort or persuade; the Catholic priest can command. He may say nothing of the bishop, nothing of the Pope, and nothing of eternal hell for those who disobey, but all those things are there-great, real, though invisible forces wielded by him who speaks.

And when Sir Francis, going further, declares that in his opinion Protestantism is no more tolerant and liberal in matters political, civil, and religious than Roman Catholicism, he utters that which is not only incorrect but is dangerous to society. I am not ignorant of the narrowness and intolerance of Puritanism ; I know that we still have to suffer for the sins of our fathers in that respect; I know that some among us have what they are pleased to call "principles," which are so narrow that nobody can see them, but are so meddlesome that everybody can feel them; but the genius of Protestantism is toleration. It must be so, for the whole system is based upon the idea of individual freedom and responsibility; while Roman Catholicism is based upon individual obedience-is, in fact, a vast ecclesiastical hierarchy. It may be that Sir Francis is still smarting from blows received from some of the Protestant clergy; but if he will forget his own pains, and look beyond the necessarily limited range of his own experience, I am sure he will confess that while as to isolated facts he was correct, as to the main point at issue he was wrong.

But I am the more grieved to find that Sir Francis is just as limited in his ideas of public right and justice as he is in his interpretation of the teachings of the two opposing Churches; for he says: "I am unaware of a single reason that can be given to justify the formation of even a Protestant or Civil Rights Alliance, which I regret to observe you think desirable." And again: "You favour a Protestant or Civil Rights Alliance, the chief object of which, as far as I have been able to comprehend it, would be to unite Protestants in a crusade against Catholic institutions, although it cannot be shown that Protestants suffer in the least from the laws which are in force in the Province of Quebec." I wish Sir Francis had been a little more definite. A crusade against what institutions? Oh yes, here is onethe Seminary of St. Sulpice ; and our object is to drag forgeries and fraud to the light of day, and put an end to the wrongs which the poor Oka Indians have had to suffer. The Civil Rights Alliance never contemplated interference with any Catholic institutions which do not interfere with the civil rights of the people. Will Sir Francis state what action of the Alliance he deems objectionable?

Surely it is strange doctrine for any man to teach in this year of grace that it is "anything but fair that the Protestant minority in Quebec should not only claim perfect equality with the majority, which has always been conceded to them, but should further claim to dictate to the majority how they are to manage their own affairs." And what are "their own affairs" ? According to Sir Francis the matter of a real education is their own affair, in which we have no right to interfere. I deny that. Education is a State affair, and concerns us all. If public money is spent to maintain priests and inefficient teachers, that is an affair in which we must interfere. I am a part of the community, and have to bear my share of the burden entailed upon it by that poverty and vice which spring from the rootsoil of ignorance. Does Sir Francis believe that a general and real education would promote the welfare of this country? If so, then we all have an interest in this affair, since we all have an interest in the prosperity of our country. Does Sir Francis believe that a better education would tend to the better culture of the land-to the building of better houses, and to the general advance of our industries? Then I am concerned about that education, for I want to see and to share in a general increase of material good.

Says Sir Francis: "You are in favour, as I understand, of abolishing the payment of dues for the support of the clergy in the Province of Quebec, although no complaint has been made by the people interested, and Protestants certainly have no cause of complaint on that ground." I protest against that conclusion. My cause of complaint is this: Some of Her Majesty's subjects enjoy privileges denied
to others of her loyal subjects, and the nonprivileged are compelled to assist the privileged in the gathering in of their "dues." Incquality, established, and supported by the whole machinery of civil governestabished, and supported The Roman Catholic clergy are "protected" while the Protestant are forced to do with "free tradc." I do not ask for a levelling $u p$, but I have a right to demand a levelling doion. But, "no complaint has been made by the people interested": no popular complaint perhaps. For that is provided against by an ingenious, but cruel contrivance, which allows a man to refuse to pay the tithes upon declaration that he is no longer a Catholic. Why should the one follow the other? What right have we to bind a civil obligation and a religious conviction together? "No complaint has been made by the people interested" : then we are not to educate children until they complain of their ignorance; we are not to give the franchise to the working classes until they ask for it ; we are not to send the Goapel to the heathen until they complain of their darkness.

It seems to me that Sir Francis Hincks has viewed this matter in its political aspect merely; but many of us have to regard it in other ways, and as having a bearing upon the great principles of justice to all the members of the State. And I may be allowed to remind the Honorable Knight that even in politics he, and those associated with him, did not always find it so easy to champion the cause of the Catholics. The Catholics of this Province were a dead-weight upon the hands of both parties in the House; they spent the money, and held the balance of power; they by seeking the interests of the Church rather than the interests of the State, brought ahout a political dead-lock-and because of them the miscrable policy had to be adopted of having Provinces and Provincial Parliaments. We-are paying the price to-day. Sir Francis says: "If I were convinced of the soundness of such views as you have expressed, which I am not. I should in the present state of public opinion be convinced of the impolicy of advocating them." With great respect I submit that the advocacy of my view is far safer than the line pursued by Sir Francis. What he is doing can only tend to inflate those already puffed up-to confirm oppressors in oppression, and to give Mayor lBeaudry, and such as he, some show of reason for their folly.

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## WHAT IS A NATIONAL POLICY?

In a former article, two weeks ago, the above question was proposed, with the view of determining, not only the general drift of a National Policy, but the special demands which such a policy makes upon electors at the approach ing crisis in our political affairs. In that article, however, the important question of Protection to Canadian Manufactures was held in abeyance, with the intention that it should be sulsequently discussed; and to that discussion the present article will be devoted. Those who are in sympathy with the demand for a National Policy, and are sickened of mere party crics, must feed gratified if the coming elections are made to turn on a great coonomical and political question like that of Protection, rather than on the comparative meritof the two political parties who are clamouting for support at the polls. Some of the most serious perils to which Constitutional (overnment is exposel, some of the most disgusting vices by which politial life is stained, arise from taking the vote of a people. not upon a guestion in which the mational welfare is bound up, but upon the past record of two antagonistic parties, whose respective services to the country can be satisfactorily estimated only by the impartial historian of later times.

There are, indeed, two preliminary obstacles to accepting Protection as the principle which is at stake in the coming elections. First of all, neither people nor politicians are dividing themselves into parties along the line. On the contrary, as far as yet appears. Protectionists who have been supporters of the Government, and Free Praders who have hitherto voted with the Opposition, intend, in many cases at least, to stick to their old party alliances. Moreover, it appears that this fact receives some explanation from a second difficulty. The gravest doubts are entertained as to the sincerity of the promises which the Opposition have been making to Protectionists. It is alleged that the leader of the Opposition never was, and is not yet, a Protectionist from scientific conviction; and that he has unfurled the banner of Protection merely in the hope of rallying some followers to fill up the vacant ranks of those who deserted his cause from indignation at the Pacific Railway Scandal. There is no doubt that these facts constitute formidable difficulties, to the extreme Protectionist at least. The Free Trader, indeed, and the moderate Protectionist who feels satisfied that existing duties afford all reasonable protection to our manufactures, the merchant also whose transactions must assume stability in our fiscal system,-all these may vote with confidence for the Government. Whether the extreme Protectionist may, with equal confidence, vote for the Opposition, it is" for himself to decide. We shall, for the present, waive his difficulties. We shall assume that the question of Protection is to form the dividing line of the two parties, and that the Opposition may be relied upon to carry out the promises they have made, Is that a National Policy which they propose?

In answering this question it is necessary to distinguish between the abstract teachings of Economical Science and the practical necessities of a political system. There is, indeed, an elementary principle of trade which the Economist traces alike in the bargain by which a child exchanges with the confectioner a cent for a sugarstick and in the most complicated transactions of international commerce. But this elementary principle is inevitably modified by the political wants of a community. Of these the most important is the
necessity of a public revenue for carrying on the operations of Government. Now, a very superficial acquaintance with economical laws must show, if common sense is not sufficient to convince any one, that there is no artifice by which the taxes required for a public revenue can be made anything but a burden to the community by whom they are contributed. Political justice, indeed. demands that this burden shall not be shifted from one class of the community in order that it may be thrown wholly on the shoulders of another But what system of taxation distributes the burden most fairly over the different members of the community? That is a question beset by many difficult, perhaps inextricalle, complications. Especially may it be said that the two main rival systems of direct and indirect taxation have each peculiar advantages to plead in their favour. The chief difficulties, in fact, experienced in the adoption of either system, arise in adjusting the detailed arragements with fairness, and in having these arrangements honestly carried out. Any system yet devised is, after all, but a clumsy expedient at the best, when compared with that which might be rendered possible by a moderate increase of intelligence and virtue in the community.

Still it should not be forgotten, though it seems astonishing that men require to be reminded of the fact, that, while taxes must of course be raised, they must nevertheless be a burden.. It is against the most rudimentary and obvious principle of economy to suppose that any man, or body of men, can add to their wealth by subtracting a part of it to form a public fund. This is a simple law of economy which is readily recognised, and too often observed with public meanness, in every other sort of contribution. In subscribing for a religious or charitahle object no man supposes that his wealth is thereby increased: his subscriptions have no meaning if they are not sacrifices; it is this that imparts to them their moral and spiritual worth. The same economical truism is, in fact, also generally recognised with ease in almost any form of taxation but that which is raised by duties upon the articles we import from foreign countries. And this is the reason why the scientific economist finds it so difficult to understand the hallucination by which people delude themselves into the belief that if they add to the taxes which they pay on their foreign importations, they will thereby add to their wealth. Such a hallucination seems possible only as the result of a logical jugglery, similar to that which a clever dialectician might practise on any simple mind with regard to the most indubitable certainties. Fancy the straightforward intelligence of a mathematician thrown aghast with doubt as to whether a straight line is the shortest distance between two points, by being bamboorled with a rhetorical exposition of the familiar proverl) that the longest way round is the shortest way home

For the economical law, which governs all trade between individuals and betweon communities alike, is surely as simple and certain as any, mathematical axiom ; and it is only by some logical illusion, arising out of the intricacies of international commerce, that men can lose sight of a truism, upon which they act without question in all the ordinary transactions of their trade. What is trade? Is it not a matter of byying and selling? Now, there is a very simple law of economy by which this matter is uniformly governed. To be truly coonomical, a man must buy as much as he can for what he sells, or, to put it in another form, must sell as little as he can for what he buys. This may commonly be expressed further by saying that a man seeks to obtain what he wants at the cost of as litle labour as possible; and it need scarcely be added that this is the coonomical law which is understood by the phrase about buying in the cheapest and selling in the dearest market. Of course it is not to be understood that no man ever departs from this principle in any of his purchases; it is merely said that if he does depart from this principle his purchase is not directed hy considerations of economy. You may praise him as noble, as just or generous; you may vituperate him as vain and foolish, according to the view which you form of his motives; but there is one thing which you cannot doyou cannot call his transaction economical.

Now, this is what is understood by coonomy, not only in the business relations of individuals. If two or three men enter into partnership, they know that bumkruptey would be the inevitable issue of their undertaking, if they made a practice of seeking any other than the cheapest market for their purehases, any other than the dearest for their sales. If a hundred or a thousand men form a joint-stock company, their hope of a dividend is based on their trust in the economical management of the directorate; and any disclosure of a transaction, in which the directors had paid more than was necessary, or accepted less in payment than might have been oltained, would be sure to lead to unpleasant scenes at the first general meeting of shareholders. And yet now, when some four millions of people have entered into a joint-stock association for political purposes, they are asked to elect a Board of Directors who are pledged, not only to abandon the fundamental principle of economy themselves, but to take forcible measures for compelling every shareholder, whatever his private convictions may be, to abandon the principle too.

Now, if economy means the supply of our wants at the least possible cost, -if this is what economy means for one man, or for a hundred, or a thousand men who form a commercial association,-what is the reason why this ceases to be economy when a few thousand form a political association as in some of the smaller British colonies, or when some millions are combined in any of the larger empires of the world? There is no mysterious force in arithmetical processes to work out such a result ; and not the wildest fancy of ancient Pythagorean or of later mystic with regard to the magic powers of numbers ever ascribed to them such an inexplicable potency as this modern extrawagance, according to which, by a mere trick of multiplication, the essential nature of economy may be reserved. For, be it observed, a nation-a political com-munity-is simply a number of individuals living under common laws, and when we speak of what is economical for a nation, if we understand the purport of our own language, we must mean what is economical for the individual citizens of whom the nation is composed. If the individual citizens, therefore, acknowledge without hesitation that the only economy for them is to find the most remunerative market for their productions, the least exacting market for the supply of their wants, they have already settled the question as to what economy means for the nation to which they belong; for the nation is themselves.

Such is the essential teaching of every great political thinker, who has
devoted himself to those political problems, in which national economy is involved. It is true, the fundamental law of economy is not so easily traced in the vast and complicated relations of international trade, but this is the case with all the laws which govern the world, in external nature as well as in human society. The simplest laws of motion are ordinarily never seen in isolation. Watch a snow-wreath as it winds itself fantastically during an easterly storm. Could the profoundest mechanist analyse with certainty the various forces, under the operation of which the wreath assumes the particular shape that is gradually piled up before your eyes? And yet no one doubts that the common laws of motion are at work in producing the elaborate result. So no scientific economist doubts that the common law of economy is at work in producing the most complicated results in the economical intercourse of nations. There could, in fact, be no Economical Science, if economy were something so vacillating in its nature as to be capable of meaning two directly opposite lines of action, just as there could be no Moral Science if Right sometimes meant the same thing as Wrong. All our leaders of our Opposition know that their promises of what is misnamed Protection are in direct contradiction to the lessons of Economical Science; they know that unless that science is an illusion, the policy which they advocate would sap the foundations of our national wealth. There are many other aspects in which the policy of the Opposition should be reprobated; but even if the policy of a nation should have no other object than the increase of the national wealth, science and common sense alike compel us to reject the proposal of excluding ourselves from the most remunerative markets of the world as the most antinational policy that could be proposed. If any political party is willing to lend itself to such a perilous political experiment, the elector, to whom the interests of a nation are dearer than the success of a party, has no choice but to oppose such recklessness by all the political influence in his power. All the more willing must his opposition in the present case be, that such experimenting upon the national welfare is so utterly hostile to that valuable spirit of conservatism, the preservation of which has formed the most useful historical service of the great political party which our Opposition claim to represent.
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## "TURK" ON THE TURKS-A REJOINDER.

"Turk" has written a second article, ostensibly in defence of his first, called "A Plea for the Turks," in answer to my few remarks bearing on his previous production which was published in the Spectator a week or so since. He has thought fit to reaffirm, with considerable additions, what he said in the earlier article, and to address some personal remarks to myself for presuming to criticise his ideas, or rather the fustian which he has substituted in place of them. Methinks if he had rested content after writing his first "Plea," he would have done better, notwithstanding its extreme lameness and debility. Now, the author of "A Plea for the Turks" has lost his temper, and he has committed himself by misrepresenting and garbling ; and moreover, he has failed to earn the little reputation for impartiality and humanity which the nature of his "Plea" might otherwise have allowed him. This unexpected result to him, is not very surprising however to others, when they consider how the party in England, with which "Turk" professes to sympathise, has set him such a sublime example of integrity in exalting a barbarian race for political purposes at the expense of humanity and in defiance alike of expediency or necessity. "Turk" has, however, gone much farther than even his friends the Tories would care to go. I venture to say the most unscrupulous Tory in England would hardly dare pen such a monstrous misrepresentation of slavery in Turkey as "Turk" has done in his "Plea." If he did he would bring upon his head swift retribution, for how many are there in England credulous enough to believe that it "partakes largely of the patriarchal spirit, the slave being more an humble member of the family, than simply the property of his master ?" Any one capable of reading could, in half an hour, gather sufficient damnatory evidence as to the utter untruthfulness of the assertion that would overwhelm even the Father of Lies himself. Doubtless "Turk" fancied he was writing the truth, and did not mean to set down nonsense.

In looking over his "self-defence," the most notable thing to be found is the plaint that I look at the Turk, "not from the proper point of view, but through the prejudices of our different civilization, and what we deem our superior enlightenment;" and "through this medium he is apt to appear a passingly strange, and therefore objectionable, abominable, being." This may be very true, but it is altogether wide of the mark. I don't object to the Turk
living and breathing on the earth by himself, I simply living and breathing on the earth by himself, I simply object to a barbarian of them hewers of wood and drawers of water to his profit, lolling in abject laziness while they administer to his wants, when, if they could but free themselves from his grasp, they are able to rise into independent, progressive nationalities, appreciating freedom, and helping on civilization, which their master is wholly incapable of doing.

The "proper point of view" that "Turk" wishes me to select in order to judge his brethren is in the Bible. He desires me to stand in his shoes and affect-like himself-to see in the "grand, old patriarchs"-" that wonderful Jewish people," whose "simple, primitive form of life is full of beauties, and is redolent of the sweet, (sic) pure, clear air of the desert," some reflection of the Ottoman Turks. What that reflection may be beyond "polygamy, concubinage, despotism and slavery," he does not inform us. He leaves us to draw the inrerence, if we choose, that the Ottoman Turk is a reflection of the Hebrew because the latter, besides possessing the above-named social characteristics, put his Ammonite captives under saws and under axes of iron, and made them to pass through the brick-kiln, and then he exclaims with warmth that he will claim for his brethren "some faint reflection of those ancient glories." I may misapprehend his meaning, because I happen to agree with him exactly, if he sellows the paragraph to stand as it now is. I expect, however, I shall have to tead between the lines to get at the real meaning he intends, which, no he wants us to notice that the Mohammedan Bedouin of the desert of to-day is
in some respects a likeness of Abrabam, Isaac and Jacob and their successors, as depicted in the Bible. I should like to know what this has got to do with the Turk, even if I admit its truth. He says that to no people is the world more deeply indebted than to the Hebrews, and he wants us to draw the inference that we are
What utter nonsense :

At all events, the drift of the argument is not to the point. Can enough be said in favour of the Ottoman Turks to justify their remaining in Europe? I do not think there can. No doubt the race viewed as barbarians would not suffer by comparison with other barbarians, but could they be compared advancageously to themselves with any civilized race? Incredible as it may seem, "Turk" not only believes that they can, but he believes we here in Canada would have but little to boast of if such a comparison were made with us. His words are: "How can Mr. Douglas and his school bestow so much violent indignation upon the Turks on account of their sensuality in view of the terrible dimensions of our own 'social evil,' the ill odour of which goes up to heaven from every city and town and village in our midst? Is not this Canada of ours full of abominable abortions, and seductions and rapes? How can Christendom afford to taunt the Mohammedan world with its vileness in this regard?" "Turk" would probably put a stop to this terrible state of things in our midst by instituting polygamy and concubinage ; then, doubtless, we should approach as near his ideal of perfection as possible. The slander, however, is too apparent to render us uneasy. "Turk" knows it to be pure nonsense, and 'he knows also that if it were true it would not advance his argument a hair's-breadth. If we are bad in the way "Turk" designates we are sinning at the expense of our standard of morals, which is not true equally of the Turk, because his standard has been made on purpose to sanction his sensuality. But I deny that the prevalence of crime in Canada has reached "terrible dimensions." It has never been in any way remarkable, nor is it now on the increase, and therefore I cannot deem the way "Turk" has coupled us with his brethren, anything but argument, and in the second place it is in the first place it is foreign to his argument, and in the second place it is untrue.
"Turk" admits in his first article that his brethren are brutal, fanatical and lazy, but in his second he claims for them three sterling qualities:- they are temperate and truthful and honest. It is scarcely worth while to stop and ascertain how far the bad qualities overbalance the good, but it is worth notice that so little can be said in their favour by even their friends, and even that little not wholly true. Anyway, there can scarcely be two opinions about this: barbarians who are temperate, truthful and honest, but are brutal, fanatical and lazy, are not the people precisely where they ought to be when encroached
among aliens, superior in almost every respect to themselves, whom they retard in their legitimate growth towards the civilization which their kindred under better auspices have attained long ago. This in itself is sufficient to justify the bag and baggage policy which very many would like to see enforced.

The Turks may be temperate and truthful and honest among themselves, but they have dropped the two first qualities in their dealings with Infidels and retained the latter with terrible effect. They have certainly been sincere enough in their convictions in appropriating for themselves everything they could lay hold of belonging to other people. To the follower of Mahomet has been given the whole world-if he can take it-and thus by virtue of the divine favour he deems it perfectly in accordance with all that he holds sacred, to lie and pillage and slaughter to his heart's content, provided he do these things in
the interests of Islam. The Turk is rendered the interests of Islam. The Turk is rendered an aggressive and dangerous animal by his religion, although he was originally bad enough. Take this view of him and his religion by a writer in the Princeton Review, and bear in mind sensual, savage, deceitful at the core of his nature, reckless in Thurk as brutal, a born robber and tyrant. The Arab will nature, reckless in physical courage, can; he will eat you in his love, or hack you to pieces Avoid the Tartar if you
"His religion has not improved him;
parts of his nature. Mohammedanism ; rather it has developed the worst suppresses wholly the sense of relationship and cest, as Neander has shown, prevents the developments which are the glory of the Christian civilisation. The marvellous pictures given in these days, of the devout communion of the Mussulman with God, are the merest fancy sketches. He has no sense whatever of the presence of Cod. Major Osborne, who confirms this fact, shows the divine sanction it gives to the darker and lower passions of man's nature the divine sanction it gives to the darker and lower passions of man's nature,
and its degrading character, even at the best, becomes manifest. It must brutalize man.

But the Turk has not had Mohammedanism at its best." (I hope Hanifa, the second of the four great orthodox imans or founders of the schools of doctrine. It is the Mohammedan Jesuitism. Hanifa's system was reached by deducting from the Koran, and was intended to meet the exigencies arising from the lax morality of Koufa, a commercial city. It assumes that whatever can be deduced from the Koran is true. There is a verse in the second sura of the Koran which says: 'God has created the whole world for you.' That text, say the Hanifite jurists, is a deed which annuls all other rights of property. earth you' means, of course, the true believers. He then classifies the whole which never three heads: $\qquad$ Land which never had an owner. propertiver had an owner and has been abandened. 3. The fersons and the properties of. Infidels. From this third division the same legist deduces the and the unbelieving world. These are all methods whal watween the faithful and the unbelieving world. These are all methods whereby the Moslem enters

Had not this quotation been interesting as well as true I should not have his sighibed it, because, however true and lucid it may be, "Turk " wears before this sight a pair of dark spectacles which will effectually prevent his seeing it thus, and therefore if I had intended it for his edification I should have had and it will be very strange indeed if it fails to perceive that larger constituency, of the above system has not been fully exemplified in the history of the Tuiks. They have always shown themselves to be aggressive, fanatical and barbe
they have never shown the slightest sign of civilization, either political, commercial or intellectual ; they have never shown any political organization save the coarse and barbarous form of military satrapies, " whose rule is cruelty, and whose taxation is rapine"; and if they have been tolerant, it is the kind of tolerance which, as Mr. Goldwin Smith says, causes the slave-owner to bear with the blackness of the negro, or the Norman lord with the Saxon blood of the villin. The best evidence of their tolerance and of their "patriarchal" s.pirit is given in the dark and bloody scenes at Batak two yeirs ago, and many similar scenes-multiplied how many times?-as we look back over the five hun dred sanguinary years since the race first laid its yoke upon Europe.

As to the other questions raised by "Turk"-the recent Bulgarian and Russian retaliatory atrocities; Beaconsfield's acquisition of Cyprus, and what it portends, \&c.,-I have not space nor time to handle them. These matters are not sufficiently plain as yet for anything but speculation, and I certainly do not want to clash my speculations with the unadulterated dogmatism of my antagonist. Time, and time alone, can satisfactorily show these things in their true light.
R. W. Douglas.

## STARS AND GARTERS.

The highest distinction an Englishman can enjoy is that of being entitled to use the letters K.G. after his name. Next to that comes the privilege of the K.G.C.B., and certain other letters follow, in their degree all implying high merit and distinction. Among the upper classes enormous importance is attached to these things, and since few people trouble themselves to know more than that K.G. means Knight of the Garter, and K.G.C.B. Knight Grand Cross - of the Order of the Bath. it may ice interesing to give a thought to the subject of Orders, especially at the mune when Lords Beaconsfield and Salisbury have recently got their Garteis, and even their secretaries at Berlin are thought worthy of Companionships of the Bath.

It is not easy to go iback to a time when Orders were first instituted. Most European Courts have one or more, many of them dating from feudal times, but deriving their chief importance in these days from being a convenient means whereby Sovereigns are able to express special marks of favour, or to confer distinctions on persons by whom ordinary gifts would be resented. The Sovereigns are the founders of the Orders. The chief British Orders so founded are the Garter, the Thistle, the St. Patrick, and the Star of India. In addition, there is the Order of the Bath, which stands on a different footing; the Order of St. Michael and St. George, and the Cuelphic Order.

The most ancient and illustrious Order of the Garter was founded by Edward III., in 1344 . The popular story goes to the effect that at a ball the Countess of Salishury dropped her garter, which the king picked up and presented to her. The courtiers smiled at the incident, as well they might, when the king, in reproof, said, "Honi soit qui mal y pense." (Evil be to him that evil thinks) and this was adopted as the motto of the Order then founded. In spite of tradition, doubt has been thrown on the whote story; still it may be true, and if so it lends special interest to the investiture with the Garter of the Countess's descendant, the present Marquis of Salisbury. The Order was founded in the name of the Holy Trinity, the Virgin Mary, St. George, the patron saint of England, whom Gibbon treats so contemptuously as the pig-dealer of Cappadocia, no better than he should have been, and St. Edward the Confessor. It consisted of the king and twenty-five knights, and so it remained through all the long years down to George III., who enlarged the select party by directing that the Princes of the Royal Family and illustrious foreigners might be added to the original number. The Order is identified with St. George's Chapel, Windsor, where the banners of the knights hang over their stalls in dusky array. Every event in connection with the Order is interesting, and Shakespeare introduces it in Henry VI., in reference to Sir John Fastolfe's running away when the English army was before Rouen. It is just werth while to remark here that injustice seems to have been done to Sir John Fastolfe, who distinguished himself at Orleans in what is known as the Battle of the Herrings (from his successfully victualling the troops with them after a hot skirmish), and that Sir John seems to have suggested to Shakespeare both the name and character of his great creation Sir John Falstaff. That is a fine passage, in .Henry VI., Part I., in which the knight is deprived of the Garter, in regard to which Talbot says:-

When first this Order was ordain'd,
Knights of the Garter were of noble birth, Valiant and virtuous, full of haughty courage, Such as were grown to credit by the wars; Not fearing death, nor shrinking for distress, But always resolute in most extremes. He, then, that is not furnish'd in this sort Doth but usurp the sacred name of knight, Profaning this most honourable Order.
It may be mentioned that ladies were eligible for the Garter as late as Edward IV.'s reign, and that in addition to the badge, the knight is decorated with a gold medallion of St. George and the Dragon, suspended by a blue ribbon (whence our phrase, "The blue ribbon of the turf," and so on) and a diamond star. Most imposing robes of blue velvet are also worn.

It does not seem very clear when the Order of the Bath was instituted; but authorities seem to agree that it was at the coronation of Henry VI., in 1399. But the Order grew and developed slowly into what we now find it. At first the kings created the Knights of the Bath (so called, it is said, from the ceremonial of bathing which the knights underwent on the vigil of the inauguration) at their coronation and on other great and auspicious occasions. Thus sixty-eight knights were made at the coronation of Charles II. ; but from that time, for some reason or other, the Order fell into abeyance. It was revived by George I., who gave the badge which is now used, the design consisting of a rose, shamrock, and thistle, issuing from a sceptre between three imperial crowns, with the motto, "Tria juncta in uno. Bering the Regency of George IV., that the Order was finally settled. The Regent ordained that the motto should thenceforth have a more direct significance, from the Order consisting of three classes-three in one. 1.. The Knights

Grand Crosses, the number, exclusive of the King and Royal Princess, not to exceed seventy-two. The Order is essentially military; but one-sixth of this class may be Civil knights, appointed for diplomatic or other services. It is the companionship of this civil division which has just been bestowed on Mr. Montagu Corry and Mr. Phillip Currie, who acted as secretaries to the British representatives at the Congress at Berlin. 2. Knights Commanders, one hundred and eighty, officers holding British Commissions. 3. Companions of the Order, unimited in number, but no person to be eligible under the rank of major-general or rear-admiral. Here we have the three classes, the members of which are indicated by the initials respectively, G.C.B., K.C.B., and C.B., following their names.

What is called the Scotch Order, that of the Thistle, is very ancient, having been founded by King Achiaus-a personage about whom I am unable to offer any information. The Order seems to have been kept steadily during long years in Scotland ; but probably little heed was taken of it by our Court until James II. of ingland revived it in 1679 , and it was re-established by Queen Anne in 1703. The knights, who are few in number, wear a star, with a St. Andrew's Cross having a thistle in its midst, and this effect is repeated in a pendant badge or jewel. There is also a collar which seems to be of an uncomfortable nature for the wearer; it consists of thistles intermingled with rue! Ireland seems not to have had an Order till George III. instituted that of St. Patrick. In the star and collar, the shamrock and harp play the like part to that sustained by the thistle in the Scotch Order-the Scotch scarf, by the way, being green, while that of Ireland is light blue.

This is all that the reader will perhaps care about in the way of details concerning the Orders. That of the Star of India is quite new, and the others are wholly without interest except to those adorned with them. The Order of St. Michael and St. George is familiar to us in Capada, from the fact of the honour having been conferred on several of our public men. Stars and Garters play an important part in the economy of the military and diplomatic worlds and especially in England, where it has been the policy to make them exclusive. Directly these things are made cheap and easily accessible, as on the Continent, there is an end to their value. ' It would not indeed be easy to give : direct reply to the practical question-"In what does their value consist?" But neither could that question be answered readily if asked of some other things equally prized and cherished. The colours of a regiment, for example. "Only a little bunting," it may be said; but that bunting is consecrated by a sentiment which induces men to risk life, and to perform miracles of bravery in their defence. It is well that the Throne-the fountain of honour-should have the means of conferring signal marks of approval on those who deserve well of their country. The Victoria Cross, "For Valour," established at the time of the Crimean War, is a step in this direction, but lirance has found the advantage of carrying this much further than we have done. The Cross of the Legion of Honour has wrought wonders. And it has one advantage over everything we have. It is bestowed not only for deeds of daring and as the reward of signal enterprise, but in recognition of genius, of resolution, of exertion in every form beneficial to society. This is surely desirable. The military Orders are all very well, and it is convenient to have distinctions to confer on statesmen and diplomats ; but those are not the only individuals by whom society is served. The fountain of honour should flow for all who are worthy to be honoured. It is quite possible to conceive of more signal public benefactors than those who wear the Garter, and imagination, if duly stimulated, might shadow forth "enterprises of great pith and moment," exceeding those discharged by a couple of secretaries at the Congress, entitling persons to the Companoonship of the Bath. Perhaps in time this may come to be recognized. Meanwhile the country may rest satisfied that a certain power for good, and a convenient form of indicating Royal favour, warrant us in regarding with favour the maintenance of the Knightly Orders.

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## HEREDITY,-PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND MORAL.

"Like father, like son" is an axiom as old as the Fall of Adam. The development and improvement of races and breeds depend upon this principle. So invariable is this law of inheritance, that though particular traits may disappear, or from circumstances be repressed, yet they will crop out in the next generation. The children of the mulatto may be white, yet the traces of African blood will crop out in the nails, the hair, or the skin, in the third or fourth generation. The careful cattle breeder is not content with a sire which shall be perfect in form, in disposition, in colour, but he must be assured of the character of his progenitors. Hence the great value placed upon pedigree, and the extreme care with which the records are kept. While the breeder who wishes to improve his stock is very careful of the sire, he often crobses with other breeds to impart a "strain" which shall add to the value. In the good roadster there must not only be speed, but strength and capacity of endurance. These qualities may be found in crossing two breeds.

Allusion is only made to Animal Heredity to illustrate the subject of Heredity in Man. It will be well, for the better understanding of the subject, to divide it into three parts,-Physical, Mental, and Moral_Heredity.

As the generations of the lower orders are marked by the peculiarities of their predecessors, so are men, as nations and individuals, distinctly marked in their physical organizations by the characteristics of their predecessors. Every reader is familiar with some trait which has marked families. Sometimes it is a peculiar shaped nose which marks the family, wherever found; in others, size distinguishes the family. In some, as far as they can be traced, they have been remarkable for height. Intermarriages may have taken place with the Zacheus family and the tendency to height may be modified, but only for one generation. We often find men of the same family all of small stature. The colour of the eyes and hair, peculiarity of mouth, distinguishes many families, and the changes in these organs are those more easily effected by intermarriage than any other. Complexion is another mark of families.

Deformities are most surely transmitted. What is commonly called Clubfoot, Hare-lip, Strabismus, are often transmitted. The twelve-fingered men
of Germany are well known, the family for nearly two hundred years having always members with twelve fingers. What is remarkable, amputation of the abnormal fingers does not diminish the tendency of the family to the deformity. Particular habits and tastes prevail in families which cannot be accounted for on the ground of imitation or example. A child may be removed and habits, although the influence of example, yet will develope peculiar tastes and habits, although the change may modify these peculiarities somewhat. One or two examples will suffice. (As before stated, I am arguing from the lower to the higher; that is to say, I am illustrating my case from examples in between the two.) The writer knew an Irish setter dog which was existing from its mother when six days' old and carried away which was removed miles. As the dog grew up, it had no chance of seeing other setters, yet it developed all the peculiar habits of the old setter without any training. prant that the pup inherited the sensitive olfactories by which game could be perceived at a great distance, this does not account for the development of the valuable qualities of a sporting dog. If the dog's master left the house without ceived the gun with his master. He was known to leap through the thick plas of a window to follow him.

The following is vouched for by a writer in the Atlantic Monthly :-A cat had been in the habit for years of sitting on her master's shoulder the moment pocket a distance of twenty miles ; as it grew up, without the slightest a in the pocket a distance of twenty miles; as it grew up, without the slightest training, with him to the Zoological Gardens, where there seems no need for them. The race-horse scarcely needs training. Habits and tastes are a heritage which may be controlled and modified by what Joseph Cook calls "environments," more easily than physical peculiarities. The children of soldiers are marked by their erect carriage and manner, even when removed from the environments of the barracks. But not only are physical deformities transmitted, but more surely diseases particularly of an organic nature. Examples are so numerous
that it seems unnecessary to allude to them. Consumption. Scrofula that it seems unnecessary to allude to them. Consumption, Scrofula, Gcut, and Rheumatism are so hereditary that almost the first question of the physician to his patient is to ascertain the health of his ancestry. It is quite true these diseases do not appear in children whose parents have died from their effects. The tendency is there, and if the vital energy is lowered by any means, disease appears in that form for which there is a tendency. The health and vitality of one parent may modify for a time the tendency to disease until the vital energy is lowered. Cases of these diseases appearing which cannot be traced to hereditary tendency are very rare.

At Tracadie the child of a leper may be apparently free from all trace of the disease, but the next generation will be hideous lepers. Even two generations may be skipped. It is a mistake to suppose that the disease is lessened the disease seems to have accumulated force, like the cumulative power of colchicum or digitalis. The disease of leprosy seems never to die out. young Canadian woman was lately sent from Providence to Tracadie with eprosy, whose grand-parents had been in the Lazaretto, on the Miramichi, N.B.

The question arises, then, Can we not overcome this inherited tendency to disease? and the answer is, Most certainly. It is the duty of every one to avoid every tendency toward the inherited disease. For example, in the case of consumptive inheritance, it is manifestly one's duty to be careful
of diet. As the disease has its origin in a want of power in the system to or diet. As the disease has its origin in a want of power in the system to milk, fats, oils, \&c. All extremes of exposure should be avoided ; sleep in well ventilated rooms is indispensable. So with every disease to which we have a tendency, great care should be used to sustain the vital energy. Excess
in food or stimulants must be avoided. in food or stimulants must be avoided.

Under the head of Physical Heredity alcoholism must be classed, as it seems dependent more upon physical conditions than on the moral sentiments. The most certain inheritance transmitted is that of habitual drunkenness. Every reader of these lines will call to mind families who for generations have been drunkards. The question is, Is a man responsible for such an inheritance ? . In the case of the drunkard the remedy is simple, " never drink." and
the heritance will be harmless. It is a tendency so easily aroused the heritance will be harmless. It is a tendency so easily aroused that it is
like carrying dynamite in one's pocket in the midst of fire. If the consequences like carrying dynamite in one's pocket in the midst of fire. If the consequences they start a fire in their veins which will be transmitted to future generations now slumbering, only to burst out with uncontrollable fury, destroying its victims, or leaving them wrecks of humanity to continue the race of drunkards,
should influence them to avoid the very taste.

Turning to Mental Heredity it is
Intellectual giants have borne simpletons for children. This is due to the excessive cultivation of the intellect and to the neglect of the physical organization. Hence there is a want of balance. It is true that mental qualities are transmitted. Generation after generation of ministers, barristers and doctors have been known. Space does not permit the enumeration of well known families illustrious in their several professions. The science of mathematics has
been known to run in families for ages. In the case of Arts, where skill are called into play, the inheritance is very distinct. We find among the humbler classes ofttimes good taste and skill in art, and if we turn back we find that some artist has infused this skill into the generation. The question Wias asked respecting a giant in intellect, how a man of such culture and such a thorough gentleman could spring from such parentage as a humble farmer of
New Hampshire with bucolic manner and tastes. The grandfather proved to New Hampshire with bucolic manner and tastes. The grandfather proved to be a clergyman of most exalted intellect, of polished manners, and of great
culture, living in a small village. It is said it requires three generations of coltured "environments" to evolve a true gentleman froni a plebeian origin ; so also gentlemanly traits crop out in degenerate descendants of three genechassertion, which leads to litigation, often shows itself in families and

Insanity is one of the most remarkable heritances, and is perhaps more of insanity to be invariable any other trait. Statistics show the inheritance of insanity to be invariable ; that is, if insanity appears, in most cases it has been transmitted. For generations upon generations there are families who have always had an inmate in the asylum, or, if not, they ought to have been
there. Is there no help for this dread disease? living death without any hope or relief? excitement-all disp any hope or relief ? By no means. All tendency to wealth-to ambition, and to self-indulgence-should friends-to eager pursuit of self-control should be the great aim of one's life and active interest inded ; while of humanity. In this way transmitted insanity and active interest in the welfare with those of healthy way transmitted insanity may be avoided. Intermarriage break the chain of inheritance. The doctrine of "counterparts" in marriage has great advantages; the "natural selection" of our opposites has a tendency Moral Heredity. The Biblegeny, both physical and mental.
in iniquity." That however holy and pure our are "borents in sin and shapen natural tendency to evil in every human being is admitted be, there is a may be overcome by judicious training and good example, and the this tendency old enough to understand its relations to God, may by divine influence become virtuous and love that which is good and holy, and abhor that which is evil. The question is, Will the child of a saint and a criminal enter life with the same tendencies, providing the environments are precisely the same? Is there organization as a virtuous man, transmit crimin, possessing the same physical If we examine the records of prisons, we fiminal tendencies to his offspring? perism and idleness-such as theft, dre find that crimes, the result of paumitted by the children of paupers and the idle, and debauchery-are comskill, planning, combination-such and the idle, while those crimes requiring committed by those who have had the burglary, forgery, swindling, \&c.-are herited this tendency to crime from parents of loose morals and without principle.

In every community we find educated families who generation after generation have always had criminals among them. Crime does not always present the legitimate family, again nevertheless appears. We see side by side with is known to the writer which for generations have had a membpring. A family tiary. Family feuds, which are transmitted from father penitendepend as much upon inherited tendency to quarrel as upon ther to child, hate and bitterness. What is it the thief transmits to his offspring? Cunning
to plan, and skill and cleverness to pocket to a lady in this city, who reflected upon her character "If I pickpickpocket I came by it naturally, for both my father and mother, "If I am a but I have never been convicted of the crime", and and mother were thieves, extracted the lady's purse without discovery, and while talking thus, skilfully quarrel, which leads to the crime of assault, may be traced in families family have always been bullies, is a remark often made.

The most striking illustration of the criminal heredity is the inhabiting a district in New York State, which has been called the " cradle of crime." The descendants of one vile woman, numbering several hundred, were nearly all criminals of the worst sort. By intermarriage and harlotry, criminal descencies were transmitted, so that an honest man was the exception among the descendants, and this exception was caused by the removal of the child from the atmosphere of crime at an early age, and his being placed under good influences. of criminals ; by no means, there are too many examples of criminals the sing of good men ; this must be said that either tendency to crime has cropp sons in the second or third generation, like hereditary disease suppressed and over come by infused vitality by marriage, yet still being in the race, makes its appearance when the vitality is lowered, or else the training has been neglected. oftenest go astray." This, however, is ministers' sons and deacons' daughters careful statistics being taken of families of the ministers of a minute and comprising over a thousand families, it was found that 90 per cent large district, respectable members of society, but the vast majority occupied prominent places of trust, enjoying the respect of the community. The habit of selfcontrol, the temperate and sober life, the religious and moral character indispensable to the minister, are those qualities which are most surely transmitted. f these physical, mental and moral qualities are hereditary, and the characters of children are dependent upon parents, either by inheritance or environment, then a great responsibility rests upon them lest by want of control of the appetite, of temper, of mind, or indulgence in excesses of any kind, they transmit to ject of inheritance renders seeds of vice and misery. This view of the subject of inheritance renders apparent the great value and usefulness of the noble and praiseworthy efforts of Miss Rye, Miss McPherson, and other ladies, who rescue the children of crime from the atmosphere of vice in the cities of Britain, this country ; thus cutting off an inheritance which would horal environments in curse to themselves and to their native land which would have rendered them a are engagedselves and to their native land. In this blessed work all those orphan asylums and homes for neglected children judicious management of done"; "inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least If any receive the "Well have done it unto me" it will done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye influences which me, ${ }^{2}$ them a good citizens and useful members of society. It is for these reason them into aid of en should receive the generous support of the State and the benevolent aid of every lover of humanity.
S. J. L.

Mouth,-a useless instrument to some people, in its capacity, by the organs of speech, victuals invisible.
"It is not the cares of to-day, but the cares of to-morrow that weigh a man down. For the day we have the corresponding strength given; for the morrow we are told to trust, it is
not ours yet."-George Macdonald

## CHRIST AND MAN.

A Sermon Preached in Zion Church, Montreal, by Rev. A. J. Bray.
Hebrews xii., i, 2.-Let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus.
God is the fulness of all substance, of all force, and of all law. He isthe infinite substance, the absolute force, the eternal law. He is yet more. He is the centre of all substances-their creator and preserver; the centre of all forces-their beginning and end; the centre of all laws-their principle, their sanction and their majesty. And He has revealed Himself to us by substance -as body; by force-as spirit coming into contact with spirit ; by law-as king, swaying His sceptre to the uttermost fringes of creation. We see Him without seeing fim, just as we see each other without seeing each other, for looking upon men and women of life and intelligence, with a spirit looking through eyes and throbbing through limbs. Even so do I see the Father and Mother of all spirits. We are sure of His presence, for His light is on all things; we are sure of His affection-it burns deep in our heart. The sun sometimes gathers clouds to lessen his splendour, but we know the sun is there, blazing out in the blue vaults of heaven. So God, in pity for the weakness of our vision, has wrapped Himself in clouds; but we know that He is therethe fountain of light and of love. He spake unto the fathers by the prophets: declared Himself unto them by direct communication, and to the people by them. In these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, Jesus Christ. We have felt that all things tell us of God; bird and tree and stream; mountain range and deep, green valley; silent lake and réstless river, and swelling waves of ocean. But the perfect form of speech has dropped from the lips and life and dying of Christ ; in Him we have the brightness of God's glory-the express image of His person.

The first motive-the first impulse to a true life upon the earth must spring from a knowledge of God. Not a knowledge of theologies-or the merely theological God, but a knowledge that comes from personal acquaintance and contact and communion-a knowledge that is wisdom, the direct result of a living and powerful faith. That we can only get from the lips and the life, and the dying of Christ. Christ is the nexus-the connecting link between man and the Father God-He is the revelation and the road. The material universethe universe of intelligence, the universe of righteousness, are manifestations of God, and have Christ for their centre. But Christ has brought God nigh to man, has restored the child to his Father. The divine side of Christ's work is mystery to us. There seems in it an awful something. When we have declared the divine Fatherhood, how that in love He created all, in love blesses all, and in love will save all-we are filled with great peace, and a joy that must sing. But we feel that all is not said. Who can say it? Not I-and not you. Let us bow before the incomprehensible, sure that it means love to mankind. But Christ's work among us and for us, we may contemplate, and talk of.

I want to speak of Christ to-day-Christ and man-not Christ and God. Not of His relation to the Father, but of His relation to the human race. The writer of the epistle says, " Run with patience, with resolute endurance do mightily and suffer mightily-run ever toward the goal of life, that is to say, toward God," but, never cease looking at Jesus Christ. And what does he mean by that? Does he mean that you are to look to Christ as you toil or fight along the ways of life, just as a wanderer returning home turns his eyes toward the land of his love-or as the benighted one keeps his eye on the light in the window-or as the ambitious will look to some illustrious exemplar of fortitude and the heroism that commands success? Yes-that in some part. He is indeed the great leader of life. He takes it at the beginning-guides its first step and its last ; leads the march of man to God. And man must have a leader. I have often said that when faith is born in you, you have a new life-new forces-new powers of vision-new emotions-you see God-you see and feel God. But from the goal of life you are a great way. There is a long and difficult course before you. There are hindrances which your own nature will create, hindrances which others will create for you, by reason of their ignorance or their malice. The wor'd, the flesh and the devil are in the way of life as the marshaled armies, barring the way to God. You see God, you feel His power, you live, but the goal of life-the perfect manhood lies far beyond. The first step you take toward it is in pain and weakness, and the conviction is borne in upon you that you must have a leader-some one to inspire by a great example and a word of cheer. I stand up in my helplessness, I long to run this race and cain the eternal prize, but who will lead me. I appeal to that "cloud of witnesses""you are crowned heroes-you have won the prize, for you have reached the goal; is there not one among you who can come to the help of me who am too ignorant of the way and the war-weak from inward sin and outward circumstance? Not one?" No, not one. They look on me-and I must look on Him, Jesus Christ. He is the leader in the race of life.

But stay-not blindly and with unreason am I going to follow. What are the qualifications of this leader? You are going to propose yourself as my guide in an exploring expedition? You are going to take me up Mont Blanc? do you know the way? Have you been there? Are you aware of the perils; My guide on a difficult and dangerous journey must have knozeledge? You
propose to train me in the arts or science or literature of a country. My first propose to train me in the arts or science or literature of a country. My first
question is-do you know the things you would teach? It is proposed to place question is-do you know the things you would teach? It is proposed to place of much marching and much fighting. Does he know the country; doês he know the art of war? Ignorance of these things means disaster, ruin. Yesthat is doubtless the first qualification for leadership, knowledge. There may be a lofty purpose-a daring courage-a sublime energy-but all will fail if knowledge be wanting. Had Christ that qualification, knowledge? Not knowledge of God-we know He had-for He came from God, and knew His Father's will. He spoke the divine thought in perfect language, which all who had ears to hear might hear ; but had He knowledge of man, man's weakness and sin? Did He know the way of life and all the hindrances that stood piled up there? I turn to history for an answer. For the Gospels are history-not
a simple, though luminous chapter of history. It tells of Christ's word and work among men.

It is customary for us to gauge a•man's knowledge of men by his conduct toward them, He professes to be a friend of the fallen and the wretched, coming forward with philanthropic schemes for their rescue; but if you find him tender when he should be stern, and harsh when he should be gracious, you say "That man will not succeed, he has not sufficient knowledge of the people he would help." Now, apply that test to Jesus Christ. He declared from the first that he had come to lead humanity back to its home and its God. He announced Himself as the Leader, and His cry was "Follow Me." And I want you to call to mind how well He knew the men He had come to guide, and how vividly He displayed the qualities needed in a great leader.

If I am to have a leader in whom I can place confidence, I must be sure that he is one with me, that he can pity my weakness, my want and my woe. He must have a fellow feeling, or I shall be afraid. He must have a heart that will beat responsive to my heart. He must be greater, wiser, stronger than I am ; yet possessed of a tender love. I do not ask for a critic, or a stern censor; I ask for a guide. Jesus Christ had that tenderness, and has it now ; for He is the same yesterday, to-day and for ever. He was tender towards all who knew their want and $\sin$; it was He who said, "Whatsoever you shall do to the least of these My brethren, you will have done it unto Me," an expression which introduced Christian fraternity into the world, and which still enkindles in a thousand hearts the fire of a holy brotherhood. He was tender toward sinners ; He sat at meat with them, and when doctrinal pride rebuked Him, He said, "I am not come for those who are in health, but for those who are sick." Catching sight of a publican who, prompted by a burning desire to see Him, had climbed up into a tree, He says, "Zaccheus, make haste and come down, for this day I must abide in thy house." A sinful woman approaches Him, and ventures even to anoint His feet with ointment, to the great scandal of a large assembly; He reassures her by that immortal word, "Her sins, which are many, are forgiven, because she has loved much." They bring before Him a woman taken in adultery, in order to force from Him a judgment which by its very leniency should compromise Him; but He knew her penitence and their hypocrisy, and said, " He that is without $\sin$ among you, let him cast the first stone at her." He wept over His ungrateful and parricidal country. He washed His disciples' feet to show that the meanest duty was worthy of the loftiest soul. Even when dying on the cross in pain of body, anguish of mind, and amid the jeers of bystanding bigots, He cried on their behalf, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do"; He knew their ignorance and pitied it-He knew their sin and pardoned it.

But an unvarying tenderness would be a great failing in a leader, for man has manifold moods. There are times when to spare the rod is to spoil the child. Some evils must only be met by sternness; they must be overthrown by destructive criticism or fierce anathema; they must be burnt out as by fire. Tenderness toward the self-righteous Pharisee would but bolster up his pride. And all men get their Pharisaic moments-times when they are self-confident and nplifted in self-esteem. The true guide to God will smite them down from that pinnacle, and bid them lie in the dust and confess their sin. Christ was the true guide. Self-esteem-whether in a bearded and phylactered Rabbi, or in His disciple Peter-was rebuked as an unclean and unholy thing. He made war against the foul spirit, and scorched it with the fierce anger of his pure soul. He sought to lead men up the rough passes and on to the heights of holiness. Sometimes he spoke them words of cheer and comfort, and sometimes he goaded them along ; but always and ever it was done in love. By His sympathy, His undying love, He has become man's faithful and true High Priest. One with us in all things, knowing our infirmity and our sin, His love makes sacrifice and pleads-an offering and a prayer acceptable to God on man's behalf.

And that is the leader you and I want friends-one who knows the way and knows us and is full of love. Who else has got that twofold knowledge? Not one of those angels who are sent to minister to us. They know not the weakness of the flesh and the weariness of the way. And not one of that "cloud of witnesses." Each had his own nature-weaknesses, failings and sins-but His nature diflered from mine-and His way to God was unlike mine. I must have one who knows, (not simply humanity, but) me and my way to life eternal. Jesus Christ is that one. There is not a doubt that troubles in my mind-not a weakness of the flesh or of the spirit that he does not know and sympathize with. And there is not a hindrance in the way-not a temptation of the world or of the devil that He has not met and conquered.

Aye, met and conquered. Two more essential qualifications suggested in a sentence. Jesus Christ turned aside from no temptation and no trial. Obeying the impulse of the spirit He went into the wilderness, and there wrestled with the devil of sin. Through the fleshly avenues the fierce temptation came; rising higher, it assailed him through ambition-failing there-the attack was directed at the very citadel of His holiness-His trust in God the Father. The shame of popular contempt was His ; the danger of popular favour beset Him also, but He conquered; sublimely triumphed over all, and is set down at the right hand of the majesty on high. The light of victory is on His brow-the conquering sword is in His hand, and He marches over a conquered field-the Captain of our salvation.

Now I come to a great question. The starting point was life-the soul's motion toward God-toward a revealed God. The first movement of that life tells of the need for a leader. Christ offers Himself. He says He has perfect knowledge of me and of the way. He has surmounted every obstacle, and a thousand more than I can meet. He has gloriously conquered. He has sounded the deeps of suffering and lives; He has trodden the winepress alone and triumphed. He says: "Follow me, and I will give unto you eternal life, and no man shall pluck you out of My hand." While the words are yet sounding in my ears, I look upon this Man and say, "Great Captain, true and mighty leader, WHo art thou ? tell me thy nature and thy name-" I have seen the outer life of Christ, and I long now to contemplate the inner. This Epistie satisfies my want. It tells me that Jesus Christ, this leader in the race of life, is the beginning of all things; He is the Alpha of the universe, At His word chaos melted into order, and light mantled all with beauty. The mountains,
the hills, the trees of the forest and the flowers of the field-the stars that tremble in the blue deeps of space-aye, all intelligences of heaven and of earth were made by Him, and in Him do hey all subsist. And what is more, He is the end of all things-the completion of all things-the Omega of all life-the appointed heir of all things. The nations are His inheritance-the earth to its uttermost part is His possession. He is the author of faith-the living link that connects the soul of man with God. He grafts it as a branch into the living vine. And He is the end of all faith. To be like Him is to be perfect,-to be like Him is to be like the Father of all spirits, and the God of all truth. He is the Divine Author and the Divine Heir of all things.

Now, friends, let us put this in some practical form. The way of life is hard. The goal is a great way off for most of us. We want a leader-a Captain. To ask us to go alone-to meet those great hindrances alone-to
fight those gathered armies alone-would be cruel. We are weak, and do not fight those gathered armies alone-would be cruel. We are weak, and do not
know the way. We have a leader-we have a Captain-Jesus Christ. He will be with us always; before us as light; with us as strength. He knows what our temptations are, and how feeble is the flesh. He loved us before we knew $\sin -H e$ loved us in our $\sin -H e$ by life and suffering and death redeemed us from our $\sin$, and by His resurrection Heaven is opened to the soul. We are His-among the "all things" to which He is heir. "Run with patience the race that is set before you," looking unto Him. He is your example, for He by faith has conquered, and put all sin under His feet. He is your life, in you; the hope-aye, and the certainty of glory. He is your Captain, made perfect through suffering. He is your Priest, offering sacrifice to God on your behalf. He is your Saviour, for he has redeemed you from your soul. You are His, for He is God over all, and "heir of all things." mind and soul. You are His, for He is god over all, ander you are under the guidance of absolute truth and power. And you have need of that guidance. Nothing else and nothing less can uphold you against the constant solicitations of great and constant temptations Housewife, in your home, compelled to be careful for many things; Merchant, in your warehouse, borne along upon the dark tidal wave of competition, with in your ware breath of Mammon beating ever on your life; Student, at your books; Preacher, in your pulpit,-you have need of this guidance. And you have it, - leader divinely full of sympathy and power. Follow Him and He will lead you by a toilsome way to rest-by the field of battle to conquest-by weariness and pain to eternal glory.
"Follow him?" What does that bring to the mind of some of you? To many it conjures up the image of one divinely fair-fairest of the sons of men ; one whose every word is love, whose every work is mercy. You look upon His face-it is more scarred and seamed by suffering than that of any man. Yet upon that face shines the brightness of the Father's glory and the express image of His person. He points out the way of life-His way of life; it is rough and full of thorns. But he holds out His hands, saying, "Come, follow me." With hearts thrilling to a great desire, you say, "Lord, we will follow Thee whithersoever Thou goest ; lead on, we follow, though the Cross be in the way."

But not all of you see Him. Another has your love-another is your guide. It is pleasure, that trips before you with a laugh and a song, saying, "Follow me, and I will make you. glad. You shall have honey distilled from flowers, and all life shall be as a feast." Or it is Mammon, that with dull and heavy tread stalks on, saying, "Pollow me : I will give you wealth, honour, and position. I will surround you with all that the heart can crave." And you follow, with eager ardent steps. Oh, my brothers! Wherefore? Ask the votaries of pleasure-ask your own conscience, and you will find that worldly
pleasure leads to spiritual pain, and to pursue worldly gain is to find eternal pleasure leads to spiritual pain, and to pursue worldly gain is to find eternal
loss. Pause, I pray you. Take this leader Christ. He giveth glorious work, and also glorious rest-great wars and great victories; He giveth a Cross for an hour, and abundant life for eternity. Follow Him! follow Him !-that is your leader.

## THE PROTESTANT PULPIT OF MONTREAL.

## (Postscript.)

I find that my articles under the above heading have not pleased everybody. I am astonished at this ! Three dissentients having taken the trouble to write letters to the Canadian Spectator on matters which displease them, I think it well to say a word on the various points thus brought forward.

The first objector is a "Reader of Swedenborg," evidently a man who is easily pleased, but also hard to please. It "called forth a thrill of gratitude" (from him I suppose I) to find the Swedenborgians of Montreal called a Church. He is thankful for small mercies, doubtless : but I have searched my article in vain for such an expression. Therefore I must refuse the gratitude offered for this "sweet boon." Perhaps "Reader" has been reading the sign on the building where the Swedenborgian meetings are held, which does indeed say " The Church of the New Jerusalem." Yet "Reader"' is not satisfied that his friends should be classed as a church. What would he like? I "abound in" patience ; "yet I do not wish to have that (patience) tried too much !" Fof patience, "I am willing to accept "Reader's" eulogium on Swedenborgians as helpers in much-needed reforms. Nay, I am quite willing to grant that religion needs to be brought more into the work of the world, and can believe that some ideas of Count Swedenborg may yet be incorporated into the Church of the Future. But I speak in ignorance. I have heard that there is more than should be jeered at, even in the more material or scientific theories of the learned Count : (e.g. his theory of atoms) and I would not dismiss his spiritual theories altogether absurd without a closer examination than I have hitherto made.

My next critic is Dr. Ussher, of the Reformed Episcopal Church. The doctor should be much obliged to me; for on the little peg of the expression
"half-way house to Nonconformity" he has managed to hang a half-page "half-way house to Nonconformity", he has managed to hang a hali-page advertisement of the new Church; which, as I understand, the editor of this
journal has kindly inserted gratuitously! I acknowledge that the expression was wrong. There is nothing "half-way" about St. Bartholomew's Church; it is entire Nonconformity, pure and simple. The Reformation itself was only a is entire Nonconformity, pure and simple.
return to- first principles ; but it was none the less a newe thing, and proved the
"half-way house" to the sturdier and more thorough-going Nonconformity of a later age. Apart from this I have no quarrel with Dr. Ussher, but great goodwill. Every true son of the Church of the Reformation must deplore that the power of continued or renewed reform within its own lines appears to have been lost.

Holding these sentiments, what shall F say now to "Ritualist," my last critic? Had I not better turn him over to Dr. Ussher? For he is equally indignant, though on the other side! But is "Ritualist" a he ? The letter is most plentifully underscored, as is a lady's letter; and there is a delicious tone of assumption in it which reminds one of a lady's argument. Yet those who ought to know think that the portrait of the "able and devoted leader of the great Church revival in Canada" is drawn by himself ! If the Rev. Edmund Wood really sees himself as "the very embodiment of Protestantism," we must echo Burns' cry for the fient's giftie on his behalf. We others can see the "Ritualism" and the "Sacerdotalism," but we cannot see the "Pritestantism." But "Ritualist" asks for proofs of the relation between, and the identity of, Romanism and Ritualism. I did not assert the identity ; but I described the relation as that of "a flabby imitation of the real article." This charge is continually made by Romanist writers themselves, and "Ritualist" may find it substantiated in the series of tractates issued by the Church Association of Toronto. It may do him good to read these. But any Montreal bookseller will, in exchange for ten cents, hand "Ritualist" a copy of Jenkins' new satire of "Haverholme," and chapter xviii. of that queer book will answer the question as seriously as it deserves ; and furnish all necessary proof from approved modern ritualistic literature. To bring forward proofs in any seriousness would be to have the Canadian Spectator given over to a discussion which is worn threadbare, and which would be both interminable and profitless.

Quien Sabe?

## MUSICAL.

## MUSIC IN THE CHURCH.

One of the greatest musical necessities of our time is the supply of a sufficient number of competent teachers of choir and congregational singing, and until this want is supplied, the psalmody of the people will never be what it ought to be. So much in it depends upon instruction and so little upon originality and investion for all the ordinary uses of art, that unless competent teaching is supplied, a high degree of excellence can never be attained. It is altogether a mistake to suppose that because a gentleman can teach the piano or the organ, he can therefore teach singing. The organist, as such, may teach the choir to sing in time and tune, he may show them the difference between piano and forte, and that is about all he can do, unless he himself is specially gifted, or has been specially instructed in the vocal art. The teaching of singing is an art of itself, which in ordinary circumstances cannot be taught unless it has been learned. In rivate life, no person who wishes to attain to a high degree of excellence will ever think of completing their vocal studies without taking lessons from one specially distinguished for teaching singing, and everybody knows that vocal artists must make their preparations through. It is not a question whether the choir or
congregation can be taught to sing in time and tune, for that is chiefly mechanical work. Two people may sing the same piece of music with equal mechanical correctness, and yet the music which they produce may be only a specimen of the delightful and the uninteresting and all the difference is made by the production and management of the voice and by taste. It is in these three last things that choirs and congregations fail, and it is in these especially that they need to be instructed. To produce the voice in the best way, to accustom the ear and the imagination to scale practice, and the practice of various and correct intervals, is the essential preliminary of all excellent singing. But the organist cannot impart what he does not possess ; and for this work special teachers are required all over the country. Such disciplinary practice ought to form a part of the work of all choirs and congregations when they come together for exercise in congregational music. Such discipline of voice is imperatively needed, but how difficult it is to enforce it! Many organists will not
take the trouble, and many singers would think it beneath them to go through the drill They want to sing tunes, tunes, only tunes. With them that is everything.

At the International Competition of Choirs at the Paris Exhibition, the first prize was unanimously awarded to the English singers under the conduct of Dr. Sullivan and Mr. Henry Leslie. The singing of the choir is spoken of very highly by the French critics, and unmusical England seems to have risen a little in their estimation.

American singers seem to be taking a front rank. One by one they have made their mark in the old world, and are rapidly supplanting both English and Italians in the highest walks of art. Miss Thursby, whose visit to Montreal will not soon be forgotten, has appeared at some of the finest London concerts (having recelved the honor of a re-engagement from
the Philharmonic Society), and now we learn that Mrs. Osgood is engaged for the coming the Philharmonic Society), and now we learn that Mrs. Os
season for the Crystal Palace and other first-class concerts.

When we remember that Mdlle. Albani, also from the new world, has taken such a high position as an opera singcr, we must admit that we have good reason to be proud of our representatives, at the same time we deplore the fact that the necessity for foreign travel is forced on these artists, mainly from want of proper support on this side of the Atlantic.

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## Montreal East.

To the Electors of the Electoral District of Montreal East :

## $G^{\text {ENTLEMEN, }}$

The admirable system of Constitutional Government under which we live, whilst making us the arbiters of our destiny, imposes upon us responsibilities of the gravest kind. The fate of the country is in our hands, and it devolves on every citizen to accomplish what circumstances may require of him. I appear betore you to-day in, for me, a new and serious position, because I consider that, in so doing, I am but performing what my country requires of me as my share of a public duty. If by coming forward 1 have been too presumptuous, you, gentlemen, will say so and I will thank you for a frankness that will ensure for me during the remainder of my days, the repose of private life.
Gantlembn, wienessing the painful spectacle of our interminable financial crisis, of our numberless is paralyzzing our courage and our activity, I felt it to be the duty of every worthy citizen to make an effort to ward off from our families and our firesides the to ward off from our faverty. The evil is, beyond
merciless scourge of pores doubt, a public and general one, and by public influences alone can it be combated. Private rivalries must sink into utter oblivion; it is to the civil power, to the hand of the statesman, to the penetrating glance of the political economist that we must apply for the remedy. You, gentiemen. make and unmake ministers and governments, and the general elections are neither more nor less than a Grand Court of Assizes, where you are the judges. The ministers of now is the time for you to praise or to blame, to strike down or to render permanent-it is for you to lay down your conditions. What shall they be? I shall down your to assist you in your serious deliberations, and in a few weeks you will let me know whether I have struck the true note.
Our Governm/nt has now ruled us for five years. They took charge of a prosperous country; they now hey took charge of a prosperly rouned, deprived of return it to us exianesed, in its labour. What have they done with our prosperity? That is the question they done with our prosperity
they must answer unequivocally
Grntibmin, $I$ have always belonged to the grand Conservative school of politics. How could I have chosen any other, having spent my early manhood in intimacy of that great and noble patriot Sir L. H. Lafontaine and of the Honcurable Morin? Having spent many years, at the call of my country, in the spent many years, at the call of my country, in the
calm retirement of the magistracy, $I$ owed it to my conscience to raise myself above party strife, withour, conscience to raise myself farove pathy sifter,
however, remaining indifferent to the interests of the however, remaining indrerenc so commonwealh. Goverimiles to judge them. I wit without its being my privilege to judge them. Twiif it had not my sympathics, at least it enjoyed my if it had not my sympaines, an ceast anjoyed my respect, and I cannot reproach myscif with having in ny way tramelled the libery mor an nerfere, in is bscause 1 camor a feel myself ill nnmoved spectator or 1 in , upon os stike he wanion noe, and mysur a pang of regret I quut the honours and peaceful tranquillity of aseat on the judicial bench to assist, if it be not too late, in saving our common country.
You know it as well as I , what we are in need of is
aative industry; for our industria native industry : for our industrics are the representaives of our capital and our toil. Men will speak to you of commerce and the restrictions placed upon it as though it sufficed for a country to purchase in order to boast of its commercial enterprise. Do not forget, gentlemen, that loieign goods simply represent foreign labour, no matter to what extent we may flood our country with them. A country grows rich out of the product of the toil of its children. An árticle manufactured by a mechanic during his day's labour forms part of the wealth of the country, and nothing is lost in its production; it is so much net gain. If we rest satisfied with importing foreign products we shall be obliged to give wo exchange for them their equivalent in money. Thus we might import unceasingly, and never do a sound commercial business unless we ourselves are manufacturers. Had we manufactories, had we the means of giving employment to the strong arms that are outstretched for labout, we should see heraw material around and about us developed into producs that would add largely to our wealth. These products would in their turn develop 2 commerce than that which drives our capital out of the country Every year there is sent out of Canada over twenty millions of dollars for the purchase of articles, the greater part of which could be manufactured at our own land mit is encear to retain the money in our own land-it is necessary for the support, the this I chis 1 now come before you, soliciting your aid in the actomplishment of my task. I appeal to you as the advocate of Protection, which the Mackenzie Government openly denounces.
PROTECTION is the main plank of my political plationm; by it alone can our manufactories be revived, and labour be given to the willing hands of the
people: 1 desire Proection
it shall be the special object of my political career, if your votes secure me a seat in Pariiament. This question I shall deal with irrespective of men or politi-
cal parties: I wish to see the cal parties. I wish to see the Mackenzie Government overthrown, because they are ruining the country by contrary policy, and no future Administration shall obtain my support, unless its policy be one of Pro-
tection to our native industries. anch Protection as will bustries. I am anxious for as can be applied as be reasonable and just, such as caning appled, as every one knows, without inSuch a policy of Prot are imposed on the people. cost of articles of prition, instead of increasing the decrease it for for prime necessity, would necessarily ecrease ir, for after a lime, our manufactories havfacture as cheaply as pur focion, we could manuwould thus sape the cost of tign competitors, and toms duties. which eepres value of imported goods. value of imported goods.
for other reasons as well. because they have taken. fop opose that Government of the Pacific Railway. By chansing the terminus that railway, and locating it changing the route of Nipissing they have deprived the Province of Lake of the means of direct communiction with Quebec artery. They have placed us at the in hat grea ranala Colra plad whe the mercy of the Pacific Centra, over which we can only reach the Poute, and the distance from lenghened Provine of Mrom Montreal to the Provess of Mankoba British Columbia is in reased over that from Toronto by 220 miles, whilst by the plan of the former Government the difference In the distance was only from 60 to 80 miles.
These, gentlemen, are the views I intend to lay before you during the present campaign; you will decide whether they are sound and in ha inony with your interests. I claim your suffrages, feeling convined that in their realization we shall find the true weltare of our common country.

Xour obedient servan

> c. J. COURSOL.

## Montreal, 26 th August, 1878 .

## Montreal West.

To the Electors of the Electoral Division of Montreal West:
$G^{E}$
At the request of the Conservative Associations of this City, and a large number of my fellow-citizens generally, I have consented to become 2 candidate for the representation in the House of Commons of the electoral division of Montreal West.
In soliciting your suffrages I deem it my duty to
state frankly to you the policy which state frankly to you the policy which would guide me if honored with your confidence.
The country is undoubtedly in the midst of a very severe commercial and industrial crisis, how severe, is unfortunately too well known to us all, and especially to the working classes. Without charging upon the present Government the full responsibility for this state of things, I am convinced that it was in their power, by the adoption of some changes in the tarif, to have greatly mitigated the distress ; their refusal to do this, their declaration that it is not in the power of Governments to avert commercial disaster, or promote commercial prosperity, has earned for them, in my opinion, the condemnation of the people, and, if elected as your representative, $I$ would not hesitate to position they hold.
Regarding as I do this trade question as beyond all others in importance, especially to the City of Montreal, I would, if elected, support no Government which did not undertake in an honest and patrotic spirit to inaugurate such a national policy as would promote commerce and manufactures, and develop the material Iesources of the Dominion.
Thave confidence in the profession of the present Parliamentary Opposition to adopt this course, and I hould therefore unite with them in the work.
I believe that while in this country we should not shrink from such outlay as may be necessary for its development, every effort should be made to reduce by a wise economy as far as possible the expenditures of the Government.
If elected as your representative, my constant effort will be to promote in every way possible the interests of this city and the Dominion at large.
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