

**THE DAILY EXAMINER**

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**PROFESSOR ROBERTSON AND THE LIBERAL PAPERS.**

SOME of the Liberal papers have found great fault with Professor Robertson for having dared to suggest to the British public the propriety and the mutual advantage of giving to the people of the British colonies and possessions a preference in their markets over countries which are commercially hostile. This is a case in which partisanship is carried beyond the limits of patriotism. Everyone sees that if Great Britain were to give the preference suggested by the Professor Robertson, Canada and the other colonies of the Empire would ere long be greatly stimulated and strengthened and would become a bulwark of defence to the Mother Country. But because Sir Wilfrid Laurier has publicly repudiated the idea of Canada desiring any such preference, Professor Robertson is set upon by Sir Wilfrid's organs. Professor Robertson is to be congratulated upon his intellectual independence, moral courage and true patriotism. It is to be hoped that he will continue to instill into the minds of the British people the idea that if they desire to be strong in war as well as prosperous in peace they ought to give a trade preference to their friends and kinsmen rather than continue to import on equal terms from those who are now commercially hostile and may, at the first opportunity, combine to rend and destroy the British Empire.

**THE EYE ELECTION.**

OUR correspondents' reports of several public meetings held in the New London section of the First District of Queen's, have for the most part, come to hand too late for insertion. The judgment of the meetings was evidently favorable to the election of Mr. Campbell. Whether or not that judgment will be registered at the polls will be seen tomorrow evening. The Government party is, as everyone knows, full of "human devices" and has plenty of means which will be used without scruple. Still, we are not without hope that the people, as a whole, will set the seal of their disapproval upon a Government which has accepted responsibility for the acts of the recent Liberal administration and persistently refuses to announce any policy of its own. All accounts agree that Mr Campbell is fighting a vigorous battle and that the Government's candidate has not satisfied the public expectation.

**NOTES AND COMMENTS.**

—Referring to the Hon. William Campbell, the Guardian says: "His record as a member of a previous administration and as a member of the house and his public speeches in regard to temperance legislation have not been such as this journal approves."

It will be admitted that the record of the previous administration, of which Mr. Campbell was a member, compares favorably with that of the succeeding administrations of which Dr. Robertson is the apologist. As to temperance—well the Guardian ought not to suggest comparisons.

—The St. John Sun refers to the promises of Hon Mr. Fisher to take an active part in the prohibition campaign and says: "The campaign is now on, and within less than a month of the end. Mr. Fisher is in England, and at last accounts was about to depart for the continent. It is true that he is understood to be there in the interest his department, but it is a remarkable coincidence that the one minister who has this plebiscite in charge, and who promised to take a leading part in the campaign, should be abroad at this particular time, or the time when he is abroad should be selected for the plebiscite campaign at home. Mr. Fisher had control of both events, his own trip to Europe, and the plebiscite. He has established a coincidence of date. In the meantime the organs of the Government in his own province have all gone against prohibition and his supporters in Parliament have begun to issue anti-prohibition manifestoes.

Montreal Gazette: That the protective tariff of the conservative Government was disloyal to Great Britain—a Liberal theory frequently advanced—is not borne out by the figures. The imports from Great Britain were actually greater under the Conservative tariff than under the advertisedly loyal Laurier manipulation of the schedules. Something in explanation of this state of affairs is plainly due to what would be a puzzled public if it had stuck in the theories propounded by the party presently in control of Canada's administration. Moreover, while Great Britain's exports to Canada last year were actually less than in 1895-96, the last Conservative year, the United States exports leaped up from fifty-eight millions to seventy-eight millions, of which over forty millions were free. Here again is a chance for the writing of many explanations to show why Liberal theories fail to connect with trade facts.

**MEETING AT CLIFTON.**

**The Conservative Policy Well Upheld—The Premier and John H. Bell Present—The Premier Admits the Debt at the Banks, After Paying the Subsidy Drawn on the 1st July, to be Over \$70,000.**

A large audience greeted the several speakers at Clifton on Saturday evening. Dr. Robertson gave the same speech he gives at every meeting. He was followed by the Premier, who made a big effort to defend his Government, but he had too large an undertaking in defending the Peters administration, and it was not hard to read between the lines that he was sick of his job. On being asked to state his policy for the future and give a statement of the public accounts to date, he said he would rather refer to the past and thus evade the question, but he admitted that the debt at the banks was over \$70,000 after the subsidy drawn on the 1st of July had been paid.

Mr. Campbell followed with a fine speech. He struck the Premier hard in regard to spending \$7000 on his election in the second District, and the North Wiltshire job which is in his district. He spoke at considerable length on the different questions, making a very favorable impression. He resumed his seat amidst great applause.

Mr. Bell was called upon and he, after a good deal of coaxing, spoke. He, no doubt, saw the trend of the meeting. But on being asked to deliver his speech which he gave at Kensington some time ago against Mr. Peters, he could not help replying. He had to admit that he had fallen back into the ranks, but the reason was that everything he contended for had been carried out. He said that at a caucus in council, held some time ago, that on a resolution introduced by him, they had decided to do away with the idea of building a new poor house, but regarding the asylum and new Prince of Wales College he could say nothing. This he said he was going to admit, as it had not been made public, whether the Premier liked it or not. Mr. Bell is evidently sick of his company, and is looking across the straits to a higher realm which he thinks he will attain to. Mr. Bell was followed by Dr. McNeill, who made a capital speech. He made a vigorous onslaught on the Government and especially the Premier, who was unable to define his policy. He resented the attacks made against Mr. Campbell showing that they were false. The Staaley Doctor received a good hearing, and was loudly applauded. The Conservatives received a grand welcome in Clifton, once the strong fort of the liberals.

**A SHOCKING SCANDAL.**

CAMP THOMAS, Chicamanga Park, Aug. 28.—The condition of the hospitals at Camp Thomas is deplorable. General Breckinridge will insist upon a congressional investigation and the inquiry may result in one of the greatest scandals in the history of the army. The head officials have shown themselves grossly incompetent and ignorant of the management of the Chicamanga hospitals, and scores of deaths have resulted from such incompetency, supplies are wanting, men are cruelly and inhumanly treated and the hospitals reek in filth. The nurses are few and inexperienced, and many are ignorant of their work. It is an actual fact that hundreds of patients in the New York regiments are this morning lying on the ground suffering with typhoid. They are without cots and receive no attention. A surgeon comes around once in a great while to look at the sufferers. He may then make a requisition for some cots, ice, etc., and perhaps in three or four days the supplies will come and perhaps they will not. In the meantime, some of the poor fellows succumb to the illness. If all the facts were known the country would indeed be shocked.

The St. John Sun says: The dramatic Emperor of Germany will have to look to his laurels, now that the Czar of all the Russians is waving aloft the flag of universal peace.

Sliced corned beef for sale by the pound at Beer & Goff's.

**NEWS NOTES.**

General Miles throws the responsibility for the bad health and treatment of the United States troops in Cuba upon General Shafter and Secretary Alger. The recent session of the Ontario legislature, called for the purpose of legislating the conservative petitioners' out of seats claimed by them in the courts, cost 30,000. This is nearly 40,000 a seat.

It is said that Chevalier Drolet, who was one of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's ambassadors to Rome, and who afterwards received gold dredging licenses without competition in the Northwest, on terms that no one else could get, has sold his privileges to an English syndicate for \$200,000.

**Metallizing Wood.**

A method of metallizing wood, one by which it becomes very solid and resistant and assumes the appearance of a true metallic mirror, is described in the Paris Monde with much detail. Briefly, the wood is first immersed for three or four days, as may be its degree of permeability, in a caustic alkaline lye, and thence passed immediately into a bath of hydrosulphite of calcium, to which is added, after 24 or 36 hours, concentrated solution of sulphur in caustic potash. The duration of this bath is about 48 hours, and its temperature is from 55 to 60 degrees. Finally the wood is immersed for 30 or 40 hours in a hot solution of acetate of lead. The wood prepared in this manner and after having undergone a proper drying at a moderate temperature acquires under a burnisher of hard wood a polished surface and exhibits a very brilliant metallic luster—a luster still further increased in its attractiveness if the surface of the wood be rubbed thoroughly, in the first place, with a piece of lead, tin or zinc and afterward be polished with a glass or porcelain burnisher.

**A Misunderstood Jest.**

Lord Lytton when viceroy of India was seated one day at dinner next to a lady whose name was Birch, and who, though very good looking, was not over-intelligent. Said she to his excellency: "Are you acquainted with any of the Birches?" "Oh, yes," replied Lord Lytton, "I knew several of them most intimately while at Eton—indeed more intimately than I cared to."

"My lord," replied the lady, "you forget the Birches are relatives of mine." "And they cut me," said the viceroy, "but," and he smiled his wonted smile, "I have never felt more inclined to kiss the rod than I do now."

Sad to say, Mrs. Birch did not see the point and told her husband his excellency had insulted her.—Exchange.

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