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RETALIATION.

of the citizens of the province at large, and it is to be hoped that this will be LORD SALISBURY AND TARIFF forthcoming, so that citizens of this pro-Lord Salisbury's fair trade or tariff vince visiting Chicago next year will have retaliation speech is rightly described as just cause to point with pride to what heathers have more respect for such deities the sensation of the week in the old Ontario has done. THE REPTILE FUNO REVELAcountry. "Since Sir Robert Peel in 1846," cables a protectionist correspon-The Globe continues its daily reveladent, "decreed the abolition of the corn m laws and the virtual establishment of tion of the drafts and orders made by " the system of free imports no prime | Caron, Langevin and others on the Mcminister has taken so bold a step as Greevy fund for election purposes. Details Lord Salisbury in his speech at Hastings are given that flatly contradict the sworn m last Wednesday, for he announced that official statements as to the expenses of learned what was contemplated. It is m Great Britain cannot go on much longer the tory candidates in the Quebec con- understood that all of them who were prem fighting hostile tariffs with free imports, stituencies named, and that prove that m and that she must adopt a policy of thousands of dollars were spent in n retaliation. His words admit of no corrupting the electorate. It is surprising m possibility of being misunderstood. that with the enormous fund at their m After contending that the principle of command Caron, Langevin and Chapleau se taking in the goods of all nations duty did not carry every constituency in m free might be very noble, but it was not | Lower Canada and wipe the liberals m businesslike, he boldly crossed the completely out of existence. The exposm dividing line and said: 'I would impress ures are most damaging; and no one mupon you that if you intend in this knows where the lightning will strike m conflict of commercial treaties to hold next. No one will again have the hardiyour own you must be prepared, if need | hood to deny that he did not receive a be, to inflict upon nations who injure cent of the corruption money, after the n you the penalty which is in your hands, sad fate of Mr. Desaulniers. The French members are said to be n of refusing them access to your markets." The fair traders and imper- feeling very keenly the bad box in which ial federationists have been immensely they have been placed. They are bearing pleased by Lord Salisbury's speech; but it the odium of these revelations resulting by no means follows that Great Britain from the investigation of last session. is about to enter upon a war of retaliation Their Ontario tory friends in the house in tariffs. The principal offender is the were shrewd enough, though, to prevent United States, but Lord Salisbury admits the Section B. investigation from going that it would not be wise to declare comon. That would have revealed a state of mercial war against our neighbor. "It so things in this province far exceeding the " happens," says the British premier, McGreevy expenditures. Mr. Haggart n that the United States mainly furnishwas bound to prevent exposure of his mes us with articles which are essential doings, if possible, and he secured the n to the good of our people, and with assistance of the Quebec tory M. P.s to m raw material, which is essential to our buck investigation. The latter have n manufacturers. We could not exclude been badly left, and they feel very sore m either without serious injury to ourselves. about it. n I am not prepared, in order to punish nother countries, to inflict dangerous m wounds on ourselves." Lord Salisbury in North Perth, Mr. Grieve having been is preparing for the general election elected by an increased majority. His opexpected to take place in a month or two. ponent was an exceptionally popular and he evidently hopes to make capital Stratford alderman. for the campaign. He will, of course, make some votes; but he will lose far more meets at Minneapolis on the 7th June to than he can make. It is significant that nominate a candidate for the presidency. the Standard and other leading conserva-The honor will probably go somewhat untive journals plainly express their diswillingly to President Harrison. Blame approval of the tory leader's new policy; would have an enthusiastic nomination. if he would accept, but his poor health is and the liberal unionists are alarmed as well as disgusted. They will not support month later. Cleveland's prospects appear tariff retaliation; and in this they will be to be improving. joined by a heavy proportion of the conservative party. A modification of Lord Hon. Mr. Adams, the conservative discussion inconvenient, they should have Salisbury's speech is to be expected before

deceptive.

It would do no harm but much good to have tariff retaliation, protection and free trade thoroughly discussed again in the majority. It was a hard dose even for that majority, but they took it. Just so much public money thrown away or put into the pockets of a local party clique into the pockets of a local party clique into the pockets of a local party clique into the public money thrown away or the into the pockets of a local party clique into the pockets of the journal containing the etiquette articles in questions. The land is ostensibly purchased for the Intercolonial but it is not needed for that should provoke such discussion Lord

a piece of land in St. John, N. B., that an official valuation placed at \$80,000, has been rushed through by the ministerial majority. It was a hard dose even for the chairman were not as highly favored as Salisbury, Gladstone, Cardinal Newman and other eminent men, in that they did not receive marked copies of the journal containing the etiquette articles in questions. The land is ostensibly purchased for the Intercolonial but it is not needed for that road. This heavy expenditure is not con-

many days, or the signs of the times are

Salisbury will not have spoken in vain.

On more than one occasion Lord Salisbury
has squinted towards protection; but he hundred men is more than lost by this one

gave about five years ago a pungent and It is understood Hon. Geo. Kirkpatrick sarcastic sentence to the fair trade fad will be appointed lieutenant governor of in a way that will now be quoted against him with effect. Lord Salisbury then said: "I have listened to and read care-Sir David Macpherson. u fully what has been said about fair trade, respect to many points they are good

Prof. Schurman, a Nova Scotian, has been elected president of Cornell university. His career has been remarkably and upon many points they are precise, successful. He has only been six years at but upon those points upon which they Cornell, and is a young man, being only a little over forty. The salary is said to be are precise they are not any good, and upon those points upon which they are \$16,000 a year.

Sir Alex. Campbell, lieutenant governor of Ontario, died Monday afternoon, in his Lord Salisbury's new policy, even if 71st year. He never recovered from the adopted, which is most unlikely, would stroke of paralysis sustained last November, not benefit this country to any particular and his death was not unexpected. The extent. It would probably do us more deceased was an amiable and courtly man, harm than good. The English farmers and was popular and highly respected. would be sure to insist upon having their

The postal revenue at Laprairie is \$433 a share of "protection." They would not, year, but the Abbott-Ouimet government have decided to give the village a \$16,000 order to enrich a few monopolists and red debate in supply. Mr. Ouimet was unable parlor men, The Mail, in referring to to defend the proposed expenditure but the government majority voted it through. this phase of the question, says with

much force: "Some of our protectionists Attorney-General Casgrain has laid w think the abandonment by England of new criminal information against ex-" free trade in whole or in part would be Premier Mercier for alleged malfeasance " the making of Canada. But this view in office on three different points, viz. is open to question. If the policy be receiving and retaining moneys out of the " departed from a little there is a danger subsidies voted by parliament to the subsidies voted by parliament to the Bais de Chaleurs railway, the Hereford railway and the Ottawa Colonization rail-" should that departure involve agricul- way.

Amongst the recipients of birthday tural protection, the tariff upon farm products may also apply to us. We are honors from Her Majesty on the 24th a strongly loyal, but apparently not with their new titles, Sir John Joseph sufficiently so to discriminate in favor of Abbott, K. C. M G; Sir Oliver Mowat, K. C. M. G.; the same honor for Chief Justice the British manufacturer. Similarly, Lacoste of Montreal; and a C. M. G. for Prof. G. M. Dawson of Montreal for services in connection with the Behring sea friendly to Canada, may not be disposed to lose any portion of the profit a tariff

The Ottawa Free Press says: "Having may give him by omitting Canadian failed to obtain a judgment against Mr. products from the customs' exactions. Pacaud for the \$100,000 which he received from Mr. Armstrong, the Quebec government should now bring suits against said to be advantageous to Canada un-Messrs. Robitaille, Riopel & Co., its own less it gives us a customs' preference; friends, whose certificate as to the bona fide character of the Armstrong claim formed the basis of the whole transaction, and such a preference Lord Salisbury and who received a large portion of the

Lindsay was the subject of illustration Mr. N. Awrey, M. P. P., Ontario comin Saturday's Globe, and it made a display missioner for the World's Fair, has issued equalled by few and surpassed by no other an invitation to producers, stock breeders, town in the province. The artist had an excellent opportunity in taking our agriculturalists, manufacturers, fruit numerous fine buildings and more numerous fine looking and handsome leading growers and others, to send in their citizens, and made a very interesting two applications for space in the Ontario pages. A great many extra copies of the section at the great fair. Applications are Globe were purchased, our townspeople appreciating the enterprise and skill of the already pouring in so rapidly that Mr. Awrey is now making arrangements in Chicago for largely increased space.

The Montreal Witness says: "A singular blasphemy disgraced the house of commons Creditable as the exhibit made by this towards the close of the all-night sitting of Thursday night and Friday morning. it will bear no comparison to what Mr. One of the government supporters Awrey expects to do in 1893. But to do designated as 'a musically disposed major,' this he must have the hearty co-operation greatly amused the house, so we are gleefully told by the Gazette's correspondent, y singing 'Nearer, my God, to thee.' s hard to imagine how any member could have done anything more effectively to disgrace his country throughout not only the Christian but the pagan world; for sacred aspirations of man towards God with such profane mirth. Should not the house of commons exercise its undoubted powers to protect its honor against such disgraceful ribaldry?"

The Globe alluding to the honor conferred on Mr. Mowat, says: "The honor has been accepted by the Premier under the advice of his colleagues, or such of them as he was able to confer with in council when he sent were of the opinion that under all the circumstances it was fitting and expedient that the honor should not be refused There will be difference of opinion amongst liberals as to the acceptance of the honor, but all will feel that if imperial honors are to be bestowed on distinguished colonists, and there is any advantage in wearing such honors, no one could be a more fitting recipient of the distinction than a provincial premier who has held that high place for twenty years and who for all that time has sat at the head of a government which has administered the affairs of a great Province with wisdom and prudence, without waste or scandal, retaining election after election the support of a people who, throughout the greater part of that long period, chose a majority of federal represgovernment at Ottawa. If such honors were always as fittingly bestowed there would be less of that growing feeling against them in the liberal party of the province......We need not say that the honor in the case of the local premier has \$4,400 as we have learned, has been assured that he is not indebted for it directly or indirectly to the Dominion government; \$4,600 that it has been the spontaneous and unexpected and, we may add, undesired act of the imperial authorities in recognition of the public confidence that has been placed in the premier by his province for twenty years, and in the confessed ability of the administration of which he has so

long been the honored head." The house of commons had an all-night session last Thursday, the adjournment not taking place until Friday morning after breakfast. The opposition were fighting some extravagant items in the estimates, and the ministerial supporters resorted to The liberals have scored another victory floor-pounding and desk-slamming arguments. They made all sorts of unseemly \$6,700 will purchase 300 scree near Franknoises to interrupt and prevent debate. Their conduct was so outrageous that even the tory Toronto World prints a severe The republican national convention condemnation. The conduct of the member for North Victoria was so unbecoming that Hon. Mr. Mills called the attention of the chairman to it. and the latter, by no means an impartial cha rman, administered a sharp rebuke. It appears that the N. V. over his desk and was indulging in unseemly and unparliamentary noises. While the chairman and Mr. Mills were Despite the severe condemnation of to the noises, as tending to render member for Northumberland, the Harris | considered that an authority so eminent land job, by which \$200,000 is to be paid for on points of etiquette and good manners a piece of land in St. John, N. B., that an not have assumed an attitude that was not

deal with the next exhibition of native refinement on the part of the presentemporary N. V. representative.

The failure of the Empire to reprint the Globe's fac-simile of Sir John Macdonald's famous letter to "My Dear McGreevy" about the Langevin-Caron-Chapleau strife Ontario. This would be a popular appoint in his cabinet, betrays a lamentable lack ment. Mrs. Kirkpatrick is a daughter of of enterprise on the part of the leading tory organ. Surely the conservatives of Canada could expect the Empire to assist in the circulation of this unexpected but none the less telling demonstration of the "Old Man's" astuteness and ability as a political leader. The writer of a letter in the Globe declares that Sir John's success in using McGreevy to keep Langevin quiet under Chapleau's rib-stabbing is the most convincing proof he has seen of that "cleverness" with which we have all been willing to credit the Old Man. Sir John appealed to McGreevy on the ground that it would be to "his personal interest" to keep Langevin quiet, and to prevent the threatened outbreak. Sir John knew McGreevy's "personal interest," the people know it now in the light of these late revelations, and the appeal was successful, Langevin did not break out; he did not demand the expulsion of Chapleau, who remained in the cabinet where he could do the least harm; and McGreevy's post office. The item excited a sharp "personal interests" were turned to accepte in supply. Mr. Ouimet was unable yantage in providing the bribery fund.

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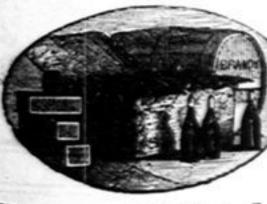
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