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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1893.

A PRIVATE COMMUNICATION.

A private and confidential circular has been sent out from the Toronto Reform club to the different county associations throughout Ontario, warning them to prepare for ed for \$4,500,000 last week. the approaching Ontario elections.

The communication, as we stated above. is a confidential one, and for that reason we do not wish its contents made known to the Opposition. conservatives of this riding, but give it space on the distinct understanding that our tory readers will not read it, and that our grit friends will not show it to their tory neighbors. In fact we give it on the q. t. It is as follows :--

TORONTO, Jan. 15, 1893. Manhood Suffrage now prevails in the election for the Local Legislature.

The assessment rolls for this year (1893) will form the basis of the voters' list to be used at the next Provincial election. It is therefore of the utmost importance that the name of every voter friendly to the Liberal cause should be entered upon the assessment roll and care must be taken to have the initials M. F. placed thereafter in the fourth column of the roll.

All other franchises conferring a vote for the Local Legislature are merged in that of the Manhood Franchise.

The qualifications for those are :-Residence in the Province for nine months and in the particular Municipality at the time for the beginning of the assessment George Embrie, who had testified against (Feb. 16), 21 years of age and a British sub- him in a land suit.

Many persons are indifferent as to their names appearing on the voters' list until too his perchand acknowledged that he cannot late; these our friends must look after. Not a few have just come of age, or are embarass the Canadian railways without nearly of age (then too there are hired men injuring his own people. This is what he tive party from power he will have to stay and others) who have never voted and who was told when he started to twist the old around and keep his eye on things, for this may not be aware of their right to yote lion's tail, but he refused to believe it. which was conferred upon them by the Manhood Suffrage Act of 1888. The importance of having all these placed on the roll cannot be over-estimated. Full information concerning them can only be obtained through you and others in your immediate locality.

A personal application to the assessor (followed up if necessary by an affidavit in the proper form) will cause him to place all these names on the roll. I will gladly send you the necessary blank affidavits and I hope that you will use every endeavor to have all our friends in your locality duly enrolled by the assessor. Let me also urge upon you to see that every voter in your polling subdivision will apply personally to the assess or to have his name enrolled. Remember that many constituencies are

the omission of only one name in each polling sub-division might seriously effect the result of an election.

### ANNEXATION.

Most people around here seem to be of opinion that the matter of annexation is a Britain. subject hardly worth considering, and that mighty few are bothering their heads about

It would appear, however, from the New York papers that this is a great error on the part of our people, and that, in fact, the utmost excitement exists throughout the length and breadth of Canada, and almost everybody and his neighbor is anxious that annexation to the United States should take place forthwith if not immediately.

A fellow named Smith-a conceited sort of fellow-who lives in Toronto, is travelling in the States, and on going away he told some friends that he was going to see President Cleveland and endeavor to complete arrangements for the absorption of this country by of the troubles in Hawaii and urged upon it the United States. This fact was duly telegraphed to New York papers by their Toronto correspondent, who is paid so much per line for what he writes. It was also represented that the few Britishers who live in Lean. Canada were very much excited over Smith's departure, and that the British government was also deeply concerned, for we read in the same despatch as follows:-

"Lawrence Irwill, from Leeds, who has been here for several days, and is supposed rect the statement made by the member for

to be attached either to the English office or Muskoka that the government had read a to the Cobden Club, was suddenly called to New York to-day. It is believed that his mission is to wait upon President-elect Cleveland on behalf of the British government to offset the presence of Goldwin had never done so in the past, and did not Smith, who is now in New York talking propose to do so in the future. The hon. about the annexation of Canada to the United States."

It seems that we Britishers were so much troubled on account of Smith's actions that we got the government at 'ome to send Mr. Will offer the balance of their Irwill to Mr. Cleveland to coax him not to annex us. It is earnestly hoped that this Stock of Short Mantles at exactly fellow from Leeds will succeed in his misland than Smith can he may succeed, and we twine. The Minister of Finance said that pears things here are in a decidedly precarious condition. So serious is the state of be announced in the budget speech. This the Fereign Affairs committee of the United ful line of those Celebrated Stan- States Congress gave the following informa- bate then as well as now. But the grits

the early part of next week."

els should be forwarded to the Leeds man, and abolish the binder twine duty this session, how necessary it is that we should carefully R. R. ELLIOT, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR | bottle up our excitement lest it should premain New York, else we should never have known anything of our longing for annexa tion and our desire for a revolution.

THE Toronto street railway was mortgag-

It is reported that Mr. Meredith is about to retire from the leadership of the Ontario

JIMMY McSHANE failed to get elected Mayor of Montreal for a third time last week. Senator Desjardins defeated the Mercierite.

THE Toronto bye-election for the local legislature will take place on Feb. 28. The tories are badly rattled, but they may possibly pull themselves together and win.

THEY have some plain talk in the British | seat and smiled that dry smile of his at Hon. house of commons as well as elsewhere. The John Haggart, who sits behind. other day one of the members spoke of the Parnelites as "Jackasses of the Billy Redmond type, with no more sense than a hen,'

Some politicians are bad. For instance, Some politicians are bad. For instance, Mr. McCarthy took his seat for the first Ira N. Terrill, ex-speaker of the last house time this session on Monday. Mr. McCarof the Oklahoma legislature, has been sontenced to life imprisonment for murdering at the sittings of the house for many years, and unless there was some great debate on

THE gang of robbers which has infested to pay the costs of the appeal of the Catholics Toronto during the last few weeks, committing depredations of extraordinary daring in broad daylight and wantonly defying the police, have been arrested and most of the no business of importance was transacted. stolen goods discovered. The marauders are four illiterate young men under 25, two of them were married.

THE annexation farce has progressed so far that on Friday last Mr. Cummings of New York introduced a bill into congress to admit all states formed in the Dominion of carried by very narrow majorities and that | Canada into the Union. It provides for an appropriation of \$250,000 to defray cost of negotiations. The bill also provides for commercial union pending Canada's admission. Mr. Cummings has very kindly placed a clause in his bill providing that all this is to be done with the consent of great

### HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Items of Interest about our Ottawa Legis lators.

There hasn't been very much excitement in Ottawa during the past week. The wind has been howling without the buildings and McMullen's rasping tones and Mulock's beautifully perfumed breath have been wafted in the atmosphere within to such an extent that a lull in the excitement has been very grateful to those who have to spend so many hours in the buildings.

Mr. McLean of East York wanted to know on Thursday if the dominion government had informed the British government the importance of getting a gait on. Sir John told him, in other words, that he guess ed Gladstone wasn't asleep, and that it was likely he had heard the news as well as Mc-

During a discussion, Col. O'Brien accused the government of having read McCarthy out of the party because he did not agree with them.

Sir John Thompson said he desired to cor-

gentleman out of the party because he ventured to propose tariff changes. The government had read nobody out of the party. It gentleman had read himself out of the party and every hon, gentleman had a perfect right to do so if he found he was not in sympathy 

Then there was moved by that long-whiskered and gold-spectacled millionaire lawyer, William Muloc , the annual resolution sion. If he can buy more lager for Cleve- asking for the abolition of the duty on binder hope the 'ome government will see to it that the government were considering this and the is well supplied with pickels for it and the abolition of other duties, and he asked he is well supplied with nickels, for it ap- the grits to withdraw their motion until a conclusion had been reached, which would affairs, indeed, that a prominent member of the United would save a good deal of time and expense, and, if the government did not take off the "The outbreak in Hawaii reported last Saturday will soon be followed by a similar Kent, Charlton of Norfolk, Scriver of Huntoutbreak in Canada. I knew long ago what ingdon, Davies of Prince Edward Island, was about to occur in Hawaii, and I now and a number of others, who, with popular know certain plans which will soon mature approbation, have since rolled down the in Canada. I would not be surprised to see electoral precipice into everlasting oblivion, a revolution in Canada any day. I have positive knowledge that plans in that direction are being laid. Plans of co-operation are now being made here. Speeches for Canadian annexation will begin in Congress hair off Mr. Speaker White's head. And they had their minds made up to fire them Our readers will see therefore, how im- off again, just as surely as the gun over on the point would boom out the noonday hour. portant it is that an unlimited supply of nick- It was just possible that Mr. Foster would and if they postponed their resolution till the budget speech, they apparently reasoned that they might be deprived of a chance at Louis Kribbs calls their turely explode. It also shows how thankful of repeating what Louis Kribbs calls their we should be that newspapers are published "annual chestnuts." That, of course, would not do. So at it they went, hammering the government for not abolishing the duty, although they do not know whether it will be or not. But they did not mind a little thing like that. And as they spoke the official shorthand reporters checked off their last year's speeches in Hansard, and everybody else but the speakers and reporters went to sleep. After a while the orators got tired and they quit talking. The silence that ensued awakened the members and the house adjourned for the night. On the following day the resolution was hung up to

dry for an indefinite period. On Friday the chief business was that of

voting supplies. It sometimes happens that words spoken by members in an undertone find their way to the press gallery. It was during the passing of the estimates. Mr. Foster wanted the amount of \$51,552 reduced by \$600. "It is the salary of one clerk," he volunteered in explanation.

"I'm glad to hear it," said Sir Richard, with an air of judicial approval.

The Minister of Finance turned in his "He has been transferred to another de-

partment," he whispered, but he whispered it too loudly, and everybody laughed and looked at Cartwright. who pulled his hat down over his eyes and scowled scowlingly with his own and only scowl.

thy has not been a very regular attendant you might safely gamble your buttons against Harry Skitch's horse that you couldn't find him in the city. His law practice had PRESIDENT HARRISON has come down off greater attractions for him than the business of the parliament. However, it is likely that he will be more attentive to his duties now, for if he expects to oust the conserva-Sir John, like the original one, "ain't much to look at, but he's a good un to go Mr. Somerville of Brant asked who was

> of Manitobajin the matter of separate schools Sir John said he didn't know, but the government certainly would not do so. There was a lot of unimportant chat, but

### Man Outdone by a Woman. You may talk all you like about women

being the weaker sex, said Mrs Enipps, but the women of this country did something last year that men could never do. And that was ? inquired Mr. Snipps.

Lost 50,000,000 hairpins and wore the wings of 3,000,000 birds on their hats.

### Franklin.

Mr. Thomas Thompson lost a very fine cow a short time ago. He thinks she was licking herself and got turned over and was hung with her tie rope.

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# TOWN TAL

-Miss Mamie Mason of Elmv ing Mrs. S. Bateson. -Rev. Mr. Gee, a former p

Miilbrook Methodist church is -Mr. James Byers of Vank paying his relatives a visit here.

-Miss Mary Sing has returned consin and is visiting Mrs. S. B. -Messrs. T. B. Collins, Robe

Jos. Thornkyke attended the Co Lodge at Port Hope Tuesday. -During the year 1892 the registrations in Millbrook

-The county lodge of the Pa dustry met in the town hall h

17; marriages, 10, deaths, 9.

-A blizzard struck this last Thursday night. It w night for driving.

-Candlemas day was bright therefore presumed that we w weeks more of wintry weather.

-You can have your rubber shoes neatly repaired at Arc rubber cement for sale.

-Mr. J. J. Preston, Bethany on Tuesday en route to Port Ho the County Orange Lodge.

-Court Centreville, Independ Foresters, will hold its regular the third Thursday of each mon

-R. J. Doak has secured the the Premier razor steel cross-cu is a world beater. Every one Try one.

-The mercury was down last Saturday, looking for the p escaped the effects of the previous The thermometer registered

-I am selling coal at a reduc eash for the balance of the coal is good. Shingles and lime ever before. W. THEXTON.

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-It is said that the Rev. D. of Fenelon Falls has been invite the pastor of the Millbrook Met and that he has accepted, su approval of conference.

-Overgaiters for ladies are ed the correct thing to wear ov in place of the old clumsy ove are light, warm, neat and styli get them at T. B. Jenkins', at the reach of all.

-A number of friends gat residence of Mr. W. Mitchell of of last week, to witness the Miss Minnie Mitchell to Mr. Brandon, Man. Ven Archd officiated, and the groom was Mr. Thos Wallace of Toronto Anderson acted as bridesmaid of landsome and valuable presented to the bride, among album and photo group of her class and a bible and hymn b teacher. The couple left for the west, carrying with them t of the many friends.