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THE FRANCHISE BILL.

Next to the North-West troubles, the new Franchise Bill now passing through the House of Commons at Ottawa, is of most importance. It will be remembered it was announced at least two years ago, but for want of time to perfect it, it has lain over to the present session.

Its discussion has evolved some strange features, from political and partizan points.

The elections of members to the Dominion House have taken place on the Franchise in force, in the several provinces, and therefore diversified according to the whims and customs prevailing in each; and it evidently prevents an uniformity which, to a mere casual observer, only seems necessary and judicious.

The Bill in question anticipates uniformity—its promoters say, that all the members of the Dominion House should be elected upon a common standard. What qualification will elect a man in Ontario should also elect another in Nova Scotia or any other Province, and to accomplish which, the Voters' Lists should be under the control of the Dominion Government, just the same as they now are under the control of each provincial government.

But no bill during the session has met with such stern opposition,

Sir John McDonald made the subject of enfranchising women an open question, willing himself to adopt it, but not binding his opinion on his supporters. The result was a very protracted debate—members of the Opposition speaking against time, amid all sorts of noises, songs and mimicries, and what is strange about the matter is, that the Reformers clamor'd en masse for the principle at Ottawa, but in Toronto recently under Mowat, they were equally zealous against it! and yet if a Conservative were to utter the term FACTIOUSNESS, as it really seems, the Reformers would denounce him. Such is party!

The great enormity of the Bill, however, is the provision in it for "Revising Barristers," whose office it will be to revise the Voters' Lists after due notification to the public in such a way that every man will have a chance to see whether his name be omitted or not, with a privilege to appeal if unsatisfactory. These barristers or judges are appointed by the Government in power, and an exact copy of the method adopted in England. Any one reading the Globe of Friday last—that is, any one who knew no better—would think the whole country was to be caught irresistably in the Conservative net; and certainly if it be, as it declares, the measure is a bad one—but then it isn't which makes a difference. One thing is sure: it would be difficult to surmise a more hysterical and meaningless appeal to the passions of its supporters. The country is invited to call meetings, make protests and demands to stay such an iniquitous, treasonable measure. Well! we will see how many meetings will will come out of it—the rub-a-dub-dub of the Globe of late fails to alarm.

So far as can now be judged of the measure, and especially this provision of it, it is very judicious and appropo.

Sir John proposes to enfranchise Indians—that is those of them who by their intelligence and property qualifications, rank equally with white men. Is there anything wrong in this? Take for instance Dr. Oronyheteka, a learned Indian and others of noted ability. Should they be deprived of a franchise because they happen to be Indians? But the Reformers of the Dominion Parliament say yes, and accuses the Government of being abettors and rewarders of the rebellious Indians in the North-West by this principle. This is party again!

The Dominion Government, with a measure more liberal, more comprehensive, and more perfect than the one recently carried by the Mowat Government, is by a concord, which savors of purposely avowed obstruction, retarded by all manner of manoeuvering and vileness, both by the opposition and their organ.

We would have been glad if our own member could have been exonerated, but it appears with the Dr. it is party first—rigidly party. An hour's obstruction was handsomely put in by him, and yet it is not at all unlikely, when among his supporters, he will declaim against waste and expenditure, and his supporters will pat him on the shoulders and cry, bravo, Dr.! Why not give this measure a trial? If it be not perfect, there are means for remedy. Such a measure was deemed necessary and foreshadowed in the constitution. The only real trouble is that the Conservatives are passing it.

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Friday being the 1st of May, our school must have had a slim attendance, as numbers of our juveniles were seen wending their way to the Saugeen or its tributaries with rod, line and basket, in search of the "beauties of the stream," and judging from their beaming faces, they met with success.

BUILDING NOTES.

W. J. McFarland's store is undergoing extensive repairs under the supervision of Mr. Geo. Richards.

Wm. Douglass is preparing for the erection of a handsome brick residence adjoining the school house.

Work upon the new church will commence shortly.

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To the Editor of The Advance.

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WAR'S ALARMS

THE FIRST BATTLE NEAR BATTLEFORD.

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THE VERY LATEST NEWS!

WINNIPEG, May 5.—A despatch from Saskatchewan Landing, via Swift Current per courier who arrived this evening from Battleford, brings news of another battle fought with Indians on Poundmaker's reserve, on Sunday, May 3.

A flying column of 800 men, under Col. Otter, attacked the Indians, who were 600 strong, at 5 o'clock in the morning. The fight lasted till noon.

Our loss was 7 killed and 12 wounded.

The enemy lost 50 killed and wounded.

Col. Otter covered, including the engagement, 70 miles, fought the battle and returned inside of 30 hours.

The men behaved magnificently.

The list of casualties is as follows:

KILLED.

Northwest Mounted Police.

Corporal Laurie, Corporal Sleight, Bugler Burke.

Ottawa Sharpshooters (G. G. F. G.)

Private Osgoode, Private ROgers.

C Infantry (Toronto.)

Private Dobbs.

Enquiry at the new fort says the nearest name to this on the rolls is Dawe, a young man from Cobourg.

Bugler Faulkner.

Enquiry at the fort says this is probably Bugler Foulkes, aged 19, who came from Manchester, England., was a bugler in the Queen's Own and joined the Infantry school last July.

WOUNDED.

Northwest Mounted Police.

Sergeant McLeod.

B Battery.

Lieut. Pelletier, Lieut. Gaffney, Corporal Morton, Gunner Reynolds.

C Infantry.

Sergeant-Major Jackson.

This is probably Sergt. Major Spackman, aged 43, who formerly belonged to the 1st battalion of the Coldstream Guards, came but to Canada about a year ago as sergeant instructor to St. Johns, Que., infantry school, was promoted by Gen. Middleton on the division of C company at Qu'Appelle to be sergeant major.

LATER.

A despatch, dated Winnipeg, May 6, (yesterday) says the Sunday battle resulted in a complete victory for Col. Otter over the Indians, of whom one hundred were killed, instead of fifty killed and wounded as first reported. Poundmaker's entire force was driven off in great disorder. Direct communication has been established between Medicine Hat and Fort McLeod.

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