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The Liberal.

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THE TRUE NATURE OF THE STRUGGLE.

The issues presented to the people in the pending election are, in a manner, unique. Usually the two parties have gone to the country to get judgment on the justice of views held for or against some great political principle. It is true, indeed, that even now there is a wide difference of opinion between Liberals and Conservatives on subjects of the very first magnitude. But natural and becoming matters of debate are dwarfed, nay, are completely effaced by a gigantic evil which threatens to involve, in the near future, all alike in common ruin. That evil is the steady debasement, the utter obliteration of those cardinal principles of morality, without which no state can long endure. The battle is of far greater moment than it would be if the stake were only the treasury benches. For it is to decide whether Confederation is to continue gradually but surely realizing the splendid promise of its birth, or is to fall to pieces through the foul and corrupting influences which are comprised in the word—Macdonaldism.

It will not avail either to belittle or to shirk the danger which now stares us in the face. Here is no mere dispute on our finances, although the Mail admits that as bad cannot be found nearer than is Australia. Here is no dispute over a tariff, for, on whatever principles based, the rate of taxation must remain undiminished for years. No, the point to be settled is—Is Canada to succumb to the ravages of rascality, with all that that rascality implies. A leading Conservative organ, the property of a Cabinet Minister, has declared falsehoods to be right should the exigencies of party demand them. Another great Conservative organ recently admitted that for years it consciously and with malice aforethought slandered the Hon. Edward Blake and the Hon. Alexander Mackenzie. Nor was this admission the fruit of repentance. It was extorted solely by the hope that men could be induced to regard in the same light those idle, baseless fictions, known as the 'Steel Nails' 'Speak Now' slanders, and those terrible indictments of Boodle and Blind Shares, proved beyond a shadow of doubt against Macdonald and his carriers.

And so we have arrived at a depth where men are not afraid to assert that to lie is honorable, to slander is just, to steal is honest. Foul is fair, and fair is foul. There is no good, and there is no evil. And the summation of Macdonaldism is the inefficiency of all things. A sad result this even for a state burdened with centuries. A pathetic, an intolerable result for a land still in the first flush of youth.

Stript, then, of all the foreign accretions with which the statesmanship of puff and plunder seeks to obscure it, the election will be a contest between honesty and rascality. Now, no one who is not crazed with the most ignorant partizanship, will claim that to be Liberal is to be honest, and to be Conservative is to be dishonest. Neither party enjoys a monopoly of the virtues. And it is for this very reason that in nearly every riding throughout the length and breadth of Canada, Conservatives are boldly keeping in abeyance their distinguishing political tenets, and openly and heartily giving a loyal support to Edward Blake. They may differ from him on many questions, but they are willing to sink for the present all differences of opinion on great public questions if thereby they can restore to the country that prime necessity of all good government—common honesty. A statesman may be readily pardoned for an error of judgment, but never for mendacity. He may be frankly forgiven for even serious miscalculations, but never for systematic inculcation of the doctrine that political vice is the only proper means for the achievement of political preferment.

THE THREE YORKS.

We have information of the most reliable kind that the three Yorks will send three supporters of Mr. Blake to Ottawa. They will repeat

opposition in North York is simply a forlorn hope. To keep up the courage of their rapidly decreasing supporters, the Macdonald Government is straining every nerve to prevent the loss of any constituency by acclamation. Accordingly, Col. Tyrwhitt has been induced to allow himself to be knocked out by Mr. Mulock.

In East York there is, practically speaking, no opposition to Hon. Alexander Mackenzie. Conservatives are vying with Reformers in their efforts to give him a most substantial proof of the high esteem entertained for him alike by political supporters and opponents. Although strenuous attempts have been made to load the riding up the other way, it is not at all likely that even if a bolt be shot against the grand old patriot, it will fall far short of the mark.

In West York, we are assured that Dr. Lynd will have a handsome majority in every municipality except Woodbridge. There is no reason in the world why Dr. Gilmour's majority should not be nearly doubled for Dr. Lynd. When it comes to a fight with Dr. Orr or N. C. Wallace, the blow administered to Orr should be a mere love tap compared with the pounding in store for him of the sleek and slippery turn.

THE SLIMESE TWINS.

The Toronto Mail will give during the present campaign its unique and original two-face act. It will be issued each day in two parts, of which one will be called, as of yore, The Mail, and the other, The Standard. The part, ye apt Mail, will deal in innuendo, cunning falsification, and generally in all that is dark and tortuous. It will make the most of the old fashioned trick of giving a sprat to catch a herring. In case of need, it will admit that there is not a tittle of truth in the Kausas lands slancer against Mr. Blake, but only that it may be credited when it asserts that there is no more evidence of the truth of the charges made against Macdonald, Tupper, &c.

The Standard will be 'loaded up the other way.' It will bawl incessantly, havoc on all Reformers in general, and on Mr. Blake in particular. It will be charged daily with falsehoods and abuse so black and thick, that it is expected that the air will grow opaque with the discharge. Thus it will seek to demonstrate the efficacy of mud.

The Mail may safely be viewed through spectacles without glasses. The Standard must be examined on the end of a clothes pole. When the Mail part strikes, a pinch of snuff will suffice to ward off the blow. When the Standard part erupts, only the stoutest umbrella will be of service. The Mail always enters the fight to the beautiful strains of the 'Boyne Water.' The Standard, however, rushes to the fray to the enlivening strains of 'St. Patrick's Day.'

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Oak Ridges.

From our own Correspondent.
On Tuesday evening two sleigh loads of the young people from this place and Jefferson visited the residence of Mr. D. Maclean, near Headford, on the second Con. of Markham. This place is better known as the Model farm of East York. Messrs. W. Gamble and E. Legge handled the reins Games and other amusements were indulged on till an early hour, when they returned home after a good evening's enjoyment.

Mr. A. Eastwick sold a horse last week to Mr. Arthur for the sum of \$225. Mr. W. Thomas sold a spring colt for \$125.

Mr. B. Stephenson of this place, and his brother, Mr. J. Stephenson, of Aurora, were down east buying cattle. They succeeded in purchasing about 25 head. Mr. Boake has sold his farm to Mr. Platt, of Thornhill.

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