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" Opifer per Orbem Dicor." STILL LOOKING FOR TROUBLE. The federal government is alleged to have surrendered on the provincial franchise question. During the whole of this session the conservative party has been anticipating something which was not looked for so far as the liberals were concerned. Manitoba has a conservative gotternment and it supposed to have got the best of its opponents in the preparation of voters' lists. Whereupon it is assum by the conservatives that Hon. Mr Sifton laid plans which would work terrible mischief to their cause.

He was credited with a desire to or ganize some federal machine by which the provincial franchise would be igconservative government had tried and it was then accepted it to its complete satisfaction, and is something, that, suggested or commended by the conservative party, would not be condemned now. But as, a liberal proceeding it was simply

Some days age Sir Wilfrid Laurier gave a sketch of the business which temained for the House of Commons before its adjournment. The election speaketh. His views on public law was referred to. It was to be ainthe same day as the elections for the after they have passed away. test of the dominion, and provision was to be made for them under the Redistribution Act. This and some changes in Redistribution Act, as re-New Brunswick, were all, and, acgronto, asked about the Manitoba lists. The premier said nothing would be done. "Oh, that is dropped," said Mr. Clark. "No, not dropped," replied the premier; "it was never is

But the conservative press will not nve it so. It was given out that Mr. Sifton had planned to rob the enemy of their advantage in the provincial lists, and "one of the bitterest fights there was no ground for alarm there watching." The men who are bound to The blue books tell a different tale. have trouble sometimes get all they

THE MILITIA OF CANADA.

Dundonald against the minister of militia is that he suppressed a part of nothing more or less than a conservathe report which the commander of tive committee room." The conservathe forces preferred in 1902. It had to tive press has hastened to say that fighting for spoils. They are both do, it seems, with the defences of the not this but something else composed wrong, and under these circumstances, country, and, in the opinion of Sir the doctor's speech. Frederick Borden, should be considered confidential. It resembled the report of a special committee, which acted in 1898, and whose work was then before

the Canadian imperial governments. Lord Dundonald says his report was not analagous with the report of 1898, and it was not marked private, but for he might easily find a worse job Sir Frederick Borden in 1903, speaking than the one rumor gave him. in the commons, and in reply to Col Tisdale, said he thought he was the best judge whether it should be re garded as confidential. The report involved a scheme of defence and should not be published to the world. At the same time he offered to show it the leader of the opposition or to any their pocketbooks rather than their

member of his party. Nor did the explanation end there, and Sir Frederick Borden went further and said that there were some parts of the report which should be publish ed, that others involved a heavy expenditure which the government had not decided to make, and that would be highly improper to give out tin to intercept such follies. the whole. Such a thing would not be done in England or any where clse. The motives of the minister were, | London Advertiser. therefore, good, and they cannot be

The improvement of the militia un- main the motives are purely politi der the present government has been gradual and steady. Sir Frederick Borden is credited with being the best minister of militia that Canada has had in many a year. He has had that reputation from his opponents. He reestablished the annual camps for instruction, (drill every year), equipped the infantry forces with the modern Lee-Enfield magazine rifles, and the artillery with new guns. He also founded the Army Medical and Army take place in the cathedral with great Service corps. Later there came the pompt Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, To buy a Dwelling, Building Army Intelligence and Army Signal and Prince Nicholas of Montenegro Lot, Farm, Country Store, or a ling corps. "In the last six years," are expected to be present at the cere-City Business, please call and says Col. Hibbard, of Montreal, "the cign courts will be informed through whole system has been changed from diplomatic channels, but no direct inan absolute, neglected, almost useless vitations will be sent. The same dates

DAILY BRITISH WHIG, published year by year. There is no doubt truth Kingston, Ontario, at 36 per year. Editions at 2:30 and 4 o'clock: in Lord Dundonald's statements, but at the same time Sir Frederick should WEEKLY BRITISH WHIG. 12 pages be given credit for the work he has accomplished, which is far ahead of any of his predecessors have done. Lord Dandonald's report hardly puts matters in a fair light, and certainly does not give Sir Frederick Borden the credit to which he is entitled."

The expenditure in recent years has been very heavy. The appropriation for the militia in 1901, is \$3,893,990 propriated out of capital account for nothing but a John Bull Englishnew arms and ordnance. The late gen- |man !" eral officer commanding the militia I said then and I kept saying a has been impatient of results, but it the circumstances warrant. The oppoty of discussing it in 1903. They cannot expect anything more at present.

EDITORIAL NOTES. Reciprocity, as a plank in the registered afresh for dominion purposes. Mr. Roosevelt was inclined to leave

> way question. Sir Mackenzie Bowell's The purely partizan element in the senate is getting very weak

Mr. McKinley though dead speaketh. His views on public is them. They even refused some of my sues have been quoted in the Chicago writings as dangerous for the delicate ended in some slight particulars. Cer- convention, and what he contended tain elections in Quebec, Ontario and for has been again endorsed. The in-British Columbia were not held in fluence of strong men remains long

land, in all respects save in their relation with the farmer, seem to be gards the number of representatives in successful. How is it that the farmers cannot unite and act for their might is nothing but the right sording to newspaper report, Sir Wil- mutual advantage? The Grange in theft to me. But this is another st frid said it very softly. Mr. Clark, Canada was all right until politics ject.

The Watertown Times should read a the Montreal Gazette in order to unfully. It has to be remembered, too. that when Gen. Miles criticised his government somewhat sharply lines were laid for his retirement.

the history of parliament was eighteen years of conservative admin-"right in sight." When it was stated istration the vigilance of the auditor general was unrestrained." What was yet doubt, and the Gttawa cor- does our contemporary mean? That

Fancy Dr. Sproule's dismay in reading in the papers that he said, in Montreal, at the complimentary banquet The most serious charge of Lord which was tendered to Mr. Borden, "The much decried Orange Lodge is

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

Not A Bad Job.

Earl Grey says there is absolutely no truth in the report that he is going to be governor-general of Can ada. He needn't get angry about it,

Difference Between Men.

John D. Rockefeller's stomach is so bad that he is obliged to diet solely Chinamen shall then pay \$500 to come on crackers and milk. A large number of other people have an affliction that forces them to follow the same course, but it seems to be centred in

A Minister Who Bets.

Haroid Spender was not far wron when he said Lord Dundonald trying to impose on Canadians complicated and elaborate defence lia, look out for France, in Tonquin scheme "of the Brodrick kind." For tunately we have a minister of mili

Catering To Snobbery.

This sickening lordolatry is responsible for much of the fuss over Lord Dundonald's dismissal, though in the cal. The British newspapers have a clear conception of the case and are wasting no sympathy on the general It remains for the Canadian snobs and politicians to resent the assertion of Canadian spirit and Canadian con stitutional rights.

Coronation Of King Peter. Vienna, June 24.-The dates for the coronation of King Peter have been definitely fixed at Belgrade for August 29th, 30th, and 31st next. It will INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE, department to a decidedly modern bration of the 100th anniversary of the liberation of Servia under the that are continually being made, the leadership of Kara George,

Sayings

Comments BY CAPTAIN CHARTRAND.

or 68 cents per capita. In 1900 and land, France and Russia. The idea was 1901, \$1,723,021, was spent on the not ripe among my brother officers, South African contingents. For the and they scornfully called me: "Inpresent year \$1,300,000 has been ap kindly added: "Oh, you! you are

along if France, England and Russia will appear, by investigation, that the a finger in Europe or elsewhere? They government has been incurring respon- have money and power on land and sibility and expenditure as fast as sea. With these two i ces, things be-France and England would cut for sition talk of demanding the report of themselves magnificent colonies in the 1902, which did not get into print. negro lands of Africa and Russia The minister gave them the opportuni- would follow suit in the yellow lands of Asia, save where her two allies have already put on their grasp. If these three partners come to a quarrel and blows over the division of the spoils, as this generally happens in the best managed concerns, they would fight it nored by the liberals and the vote re- publican platform, has been revived, out cheerfully. In the meanwhile we would all be dead, for A hope the three This to the conservative mind, it out, but Lodge and Foraker, two to assure peace for at least thirty should not have been so disturing. of the ablest senators, insisted on it venes. Then our sons will take care of

> These sayings of the past stand The senate has divided on the rail- good to-day, France and England have shaken hands warmly, and Russia in motion, that the new transcontinental spite of her present predicament, anxiously looking on, King Edward, road be built by the government, was the greatest peace diplomat ever born. defeated by thirty-four to ninetcen, is watching his opportunity and Rus-

During the Boer war, I was anti-Boer, and my friends, the Frenchmen, once more, said I was too English for feelings of their readers. I have now before my eyes over a score of thes returned articles

I was anti-Boer, not because thought England had any more rights than the Boers to the possession The co-operative societies of Eng- these South African/ lands, Oh, no ! For England and Boers have no rights and never had any over that soil that belongs to the Zulus other tribes. The right of conquest,

I was anti-Boer because the Boers refused the title of citizens to Britishers, and in all surrounding counsomewhat less partizan journal than of British citizenship. One of their own tries the Boers enjoyed the privileges kin was even the premier of Cape derstand the Dundonald-Fisher incident | Colony. The Transvaal was poor before the mines were found. Then the Boers induced English capital to come. Then capitalists with their engineers and men, made the Boers rich paid all government expenses and were refused the right to have their The Mail observes that "through say in the matter. This was unfair and I thought and said so whenever I had a chance.

In the present far eastern war, I am a pro-Russian and this time, respondent of a Montreal paper says Mr. McDougall and the treasury board friends, the English, say I am too "the situation is still felt to require did not collide often and seriously? much of a Frenchman to suit them. One kind journalist jocularly called me: "Such a cynical Frenchman." Others are very indignant indeed. So here am I in a sorry predicament.

I sympathize for Russia simply be cause I am a Christian and a white man, and as such, I stand by mine own, when they are in trouble. Do I approve Russia? Not at all! Japan why should I, or any other logical white man, favor yellow and pagan

Japan shows sympathy and friend

ship to us when it suits her purpose,

but she hates us in the bottom of her heart; and if victorious, she will prove it to is, poor ninnies, and to all other near-sighted and confident westerners, who, like the deluded ostrich, hide their heads under their wings so as not to see the yellow danger. They call the yellow peril a bogey to frighten children, and silly visionaries. In a few years, if Japan is victorious, they will see what kind of a boger the yellow peril is. They will see if to Canada or elsewhere. Chinamen will say to other countries : "It's a question of give and take between if you refuse our sons, we close our door to you." And then, what a glorious inundation of cheap labor and industry all over the world! Th's is only one side of the question. What of it though, if the yellow peril becomes warlike? Then, look out for Russia in Siberia and in Europe, look out for England in India and Austraand Cochin-China, look out for the Dutch, in their Indies and the United States, in the Philippines; look out for the rest of the world. What will then stop the onrush of the yellow

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