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ACCOUNTANT, COLLECTOR, &c. Office on the premises of Messrs. McNaughton & Co. corner of King and Princess sts., Kingston. May 16.

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ARCHITECTS and Building Surveyors. Office —Wellington Street, Kingston. JOHN POWER. JOSEPH W. POWER.

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Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, and Licentiate of the Apothecary's Company, London, Eng. Surgeon, Accoucheur &c. Office, King Street, opposite St. George's Church, Kingston.

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Will be found at Dr. Dupuis' Surgery, No. 7, Montreal Street, (opposite the M. E. Church). Calls in both city and country promptly attended to at all hours of the day and night.
THOS. R. DUPUIS, M.D. | W. H. HENDERSON, M.D.
Member of R.C.P. & S., England.

Hancock's Inspirator
IS THE MOST ECONOMICAL APPLIANCE KNOWN for feeding boilers or pumping purposes, on account of the great range of its duties and the small expenditure of steam required for working it. It is intended to take the place of Pumps and Injectors and may be used in their stead to great advantage. It differs materially, both in its
Construction & Working Qualities
from the class of boiler feeders known as injectors—inasmuch as it has one set of tubes for lifting and another set of tubes for forcing water—a combination entirely new, reliable and efficient. They are simple to operate, always ready for use and altogether a very reliable feed for boilers.
PAMPHLETS OF INSTRUCTION furnished on application, also testimonials if required. We guarantee every Inspirator according to recommendation or no charge.
McKELVEY & BIRCH, Agents Kingston.
April 6th

W. & R. MASSIE,
Steam Planing Mill.
Corner of Colborne and Barrie Streets
KINGSTON, ONT.
Band Sawing, Scroll Sawing, Shaping, etc., done to order. Orders for house finishing, etc., executed with care and despatch. Feb. 9.

Book-Binding
OF EVERY DESCRIPTION DONE ON THE PREMISES.
Special attention to sewing and forwarding.
Books warranted to open freely.
Music bound on the shortest notice.
Parties waited on with Patterns and Price Lists.
H. STALLEBRASS SMITH.
Binder to Queen's University and Royal Military College. Office: Market Square, Kingston. Feb. 22

A CARD.
MRS. JONES, Princess Street, opposite Burgess' Store, will purchase at her own store,
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Clothing
to any amount, and pay cash, or will sell on them at their residences if desired. Goods sold upon Commission. Dec. 11

NOTICE.
ESTATE of the LATE JAMES JOHNSTON.
THE undersigned having taken out letters of Administration requests payment of all accounts at the store. Persons having accounts against the late Jas. Johnston will please send them in. MRS. JAS. JOHNSTON. Feb. 14.

NOTICE.
MONEY TO LOAN on favorable terms on payment on city or farm property, in large or small sums. Straight loans at 6 per cent. interest. Good mortgages purchased.
Apply to THOMAS BRIGGS, Manager Frontenac Loan and Investment Society, Office opposite the Post Office, Clarence Street, Kingston. July 21.

Kingston & Pembroke R'y.
NOTICE is hereby given that the fifth call (10 p.c.) on the new issue of capital stock of the Kingston & Pembroke Railway will be paid on or before the 15th day of May, 1882, at the office of the Company in Kingston.
By order, GEO. DUNN, Sec'y-Treas.
April 14.

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Stroud's Teas
—ARE—
THE BEST
Try them!
Reduction in Duty.
Reduction in Price.
Reduction in Profits
ON TEA.
STROUD BROS.
109 Princess Street.
March 8 Also at Montreal and Ottawa

Easter Cards!
See our Stock. New Styles Cheap at
McAULEY'S BOOK STORE
ACCOUNT BOOKS of every kind ruled and bound to any pattern.
Book-binding, Paper Ruling & Blank Book Manufacturing.
The only Binders between Montreal and Toronto that can do all kinds of work
THOMAS McAULEY,
The Cheap Bookseller and Stationer, King St.
March 10

BAKING POWDER.
Cooks' Friend
IS A FAVORITE WITH THE HOUSEKEEPERS OF THE DOMINION, because
It is the Surest. Safest and Most Economical. It contains no alum or other deleterious ingredient.
No other safe Powder in the Market will do a much work for as little money
SURE, SAFE AND CHEAP.
Insist on being supplied with
COOKS' FRIEND
No other is genuine. Retailed by all respectable Grocers.
Manufactured only by
W. D. McLAREN,
58 College Street, Montreal.
The Trade liberally dealt with.
Aug. 8th.

A Clear Complexion!

Tan, Freckles, Sunburn, Pimples, Black Specks and unsightly Blotches on the Face, Neck, Hands, Arms, and roughness of the Skin, can be removed instantly by applying
Bell's Tan & Freckle Lotion
It possesses a delightful fragrance, and imparts a clearness to the skin which is perfectly astonishing. Is warranted harmless, is used by thousands, and never fails to give the utmost satisfaction. Price 25c per bottle. Agent for Canada
HENRY WADE,
Druggist, Cor. King and Brock Streets, Kingston.
March 20.

AHEM!
S. MOCKRIDGE has the secret of dressing men with elegance. In spite of nature the customers he dresses look graceful. Day by day his scissors perform prodigies of art. Look at
The Stylish Appearance of His Coats.
But such a tailor you would say must set a high value on his services. By no means. The moderation of his charges attest the modesty of his character. Judge for yourself. He composes
An Admirable Pair of Pants for $3,
and he lives at 368 PRINCESS STREET
S. MOCKRIDGE.
Dec. 14.

W. T. C. BETHEL
DISPENSING CHEMIST.
Graduate of the Ontario College of Pharmacy.
124 PRINCESS STREET.
Dealer in Pure Drugs, Chemicals, Patent Medicines, Perfumery, &c.
Prescriptions will be carefully prepared by a skilful and experienced Pharmacist, with pure medicines selected especially for prescription purposes.
W. T. C. BETHEL.
124 Princess Street, nearly opposite City Hotel.
April 8.

THOSE JEWELS AGAIN.
Another Case of
Jewel Carpet Sweepers!
Received this day at
HORSEY'S HARDWARE HOUSE,
March 25. Princess Street.

PIANOS TUNED
—BY—
H. CUNNINGHAM,
(Late from Chickering's, Boston.)
Orders may be left at McAuley's Bookstore. Pianos for sale at fair.
April 4.

LYMAN'S UNIVERSAL PAIN RELIEVER
—FOR—
Frost Bite and Cramps.
Rheumatism. Neuralgic
Affections.
Toothache. Tic Douloureux.
Full directions with each bottle. For sale by all respectable druggists.
25c—A BOTTLE—25c
March 25

CHINA HOUSE
Fearman's Boneless Family Boiled
HAM.
These Hams are prepared from the very choicest quality of hogs. Warranted mildly cured. Finely Flavored Meat, and Unsurpassed as an Economical Meat for the Table. A delicious breakfast dish! Convenient in serving! All Solid Meat! No bone! No annoyance in carving.
JAMES REDDEN,
Nov. 30. Princess Street

15th APRIL.
—I have received my—
Spring Stock!
—OF—
Raw Silks,
Plushes,
Tapestry,
Jutes,
Satteens,
Velvets,
&c., &c.,
and am now prepared to do all kinds of Fancy and plain UPHOLSTERING.
All kinds of repairing in Upholstering promptly attended to.
April 15. JAMES REID.

MARINE INSURANCE.
To Vessel Owners.
THE ROYAL CANADIAN INSURANCE CO. is prepared to effect Marine Insurance on Steamboats and Sailing Vessels for
SEASON OF 1882
AT LOWEST CURRENT RATES
Apply to
C. F. GILDERSLEEVE, Agent, 42 Clarence Street.
15th April, 1882.

OPENING OF NAVIGATION,
SEASON OF 1882.
HULL RISKS effected by the ANCHOR MARINE INSURANCE CO. at lowest rates.
N.B.—No American Company now transacts marine business in Canada.
Apply to
J. P. GILDERSLEEVE, Agent, 42 Clarence St., Kingston.
18th April, 1882.

Something New
NERVINE CANDY for the Ladies, at the BAZAAR.
ROCK AND RYE CANDY for the Gentlemen at the BAZAAR.
VIENNA BREAD. We are making a very fine article at present.
REES BROS., Manuf. Con.
April 18.

REILLY'S
SCHOOL FOR THE VIOLIN.
THIS School will be open to all during the summer, ensuing an A No. 1 First Water Education on the Violin tribe of instruments. It will teach all the most difficult solos from the following masters: Paganini, Ole Bull, Ernest, DeBeriot, Campanolla, Sphor and Remenyi.
Music for Excursions and Picnics will be furnished on the shortest notice.
Hours of teaching separate for ladies for gentlemen.
Rooms: 49 PRINCESS STREET.
April 12.

SECOND-HAND BOOKS.
Second-hand Books bought and sold by
A. SIMMONDS,
Princess Street, a few doors above Opera House.
Nov. 1.

SPENCE & CRUMLEY
Dress Goods. Dress Goods
We are showing full lines in the following materials: French Foule Serges, French Foule Cashmeres, Nun's Cloth, Nun's Veiling, Satin Cloth, French Foule Beiges, Mascotte Checks, Black and Colored Cashmeres.
Our Black Brocaded Silks, Moire Antiques, Silk Grenadines and Black and Colored Gros Grain Silks astonish all who see them for value, and are a sure sale every time.
The Millinery Department needs no greater advertisement than the thousands who visited our Show Room last week, and were delighted with the display. We invite all who have not yet visited us to call early, when we will be glad to show our stock, whether they wish to purchase or not.
GENT'S FURNISHINGS—We carry one of the largest stocks in the city.
SPENCE & CRUMLEY,
132 and 134 Princess Street, opposite City Hotel.
April 10.

Cheap Clearing Sale.
FOR 30 DAYS ONLY
Beats anything ever placed before the Public. See our prices in plain figures and judge for yourself.
Remember the Place, 212 Opera House Block, Princess St., Richardson's Picture Frame & Fancy Store
March 20.

Manitoba.
SELLING OFF!
Our Last Month in Kingston.
BARGAINS
In TWEEDS, READY-MADE CLOTHING, GENTS' FURNISHINGS, &c.
150 doz. Shirts to be sold at Factory Prices. Also one SAFE (Taylor's) and ONE SHOW CASE.
Accounts must be paid. We intend to make it lively for the boys. So look up; we have got through dunning; this is the last call from us. The next will be from the Division Court.
ASHLEY & ROCKWELL,
Seale Bros.' Old Stand, Princess St., Kingston.
April 19.

HATS.
CLARK WRIGHT & SON
Have purchased largely for the Spring Trade from the Celebrated Firms:
"Christy's," London, "Woodrow," London, Clark Bros., New York, Canada Hat Works, Hamilton, Ontario.
The Latest Shapes! The most Attractive Styles in Young Men's Hats.
Military Real Buck Gloves,
Gent's Fine Kid and Antelope Gloves,
Broadway Style Silk Hats,
"Pull Over" Hats to order,
College Caps (imported) $2.50.
Forage Caps made to order.
Wholesale Prices for Jobbing Trade.
CLARK WRIGHT & SON
March 29. Wellington Street.

ESTABLISHED 1864.
Steam Power Cleaning and DYEING WORKS,
PRINCESS STREET.....KINGSTON.
Gentlemen's Suits thoroughly cleaned or dyed and properly pressed.
Also Ladies' Dresses, Ulsters, Jackets and Household Goods in all materials, cleaned or dyed and beautifully finished.
R. MONTGOMERY, Practical Dyer.
April 18.

RAPID CITY!
FAIR WARNING.
A LIMITED NUMBER of lots have been placed in my hands for sale at certain fixed prices. Ten per cent. discount will be allowed upon all purchases made prior to the 21st April.
The Vendors reserve to themselves the power to increase the prices from and after the 1st May.
Rapid City needs no commendation. Its water power and other advantages secure its future.
Purchase at once and secure the increased value which will certainly accrue.
J. E. HUTCHESON, Auctioneer.
April 5.

Wood, Wood.
FOR BAKERS—Dry Tamarac, Dry Hemlock.
DRY SOFT WOOD. DRY HARD WOOD, Sawed and Unsawed. GREEN HARD WOOD, Sawed and Unsawed.
All of the best quality and lowest price.
R. CRAWFORD & CO., Coal and Wood Merchants, Foot of Queen St.
April 19th, 1882.

NEW
Millinery Store!
Brock Street—two Doors above Waldron's Corner.
Cowdy & Campbell.
April 24, 82.

$5 REWARD.
LOST—At the foot of Brock Street a Red Pocket Book, containing $40 in money; one ten dollar note made by John Freeman; one $5 note made by Charles Barrett and Henry Babcock. The above reward will be given to the person leaving the purse at this office.
April 6th.

Four Medals and Diplomas
HAVE BEEN AWARDED THE CELEBRATED JACOBY'S STOVE POLISH IN ONE YEAR. CAUTION!

ON account of its merit and extensive sale, like all other good things, it is imitated by worthless stuff of no value to the consumer.
We respectfully request our patrons, when they ask for JACOBY'S SELF-SHINING STOVE POLISH, to see the above Trade Mark is upon each box they buy, and the following signature:
J. C. JACOBY & CO.
This only is the genuine article. Most all responsible dealers keep it.
Oct. 21

WILL YOU EXCHANGE A CASE OF
Dyspepsia!
—OR—
BILIOUSNESS
—FOR—
75 CENTS?
It is awfully unwise to agonize under the many ailments arising from Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Disordered Stomach and Liver, when this offer is made to you in your own home in all sincerity, with an absolute certainty of curing you.
ZOPESA (from Brazil) cures Dyspepsia and Biliousness. A single dose relieves: a sample bottle convinces; a 75 cent bottle cures.
It acts directly upon the Stomach, Liver, and Kidneys.
Cleansing, Correcting, Regulating, Zopesa gives energy and vim to the Brain, Nerve and Muscle, simply by working wonders upon the Digestion, and giving activity to the Liver.
Cut this out, take it to any dealer in medicines, and get at least one 75 cent bottle of Zopesa, and tell your neighbor how it acts. It is warranted to cure Dyspepsia and Biliousness. April 18.

City Hat Store,
HYMAN'S OLD STAND
I have received at the above Store as fine a selection of
English and American SOFT AND STIFF FELT

HATS
in BOY'S and MEN'S, as is to be found in the city, and parties desiring these goods should call and satisfy themselves that no better value or better style is to be had anywhere.
JAMES GALLOWAY,
Princess Street, next to Orange Hall Buildings.
April 21.

Millinery Opening
Our Show Rooms are now open and are being visited daily by crowds of ladies, who pronounce
Our Display the Grandest
they have ever seen. Having enlarged our Show Rooms we now show a larger stock than ever before.
We invite inspection of our goods.
WALSH & CO.
354 King Street, 3 doors from Princess Street.
April 4.

VERY LATEST
The 'Boy's Own' School Cap.
Something new and cheap. Must every boy will want one. Price 35c each. To be had only at
The Boston Hat Store,
WELLINGTON STREET.
April 18. GEO. MILLS & CO.

A HOME FOR THE WORKINGMAN.
Valuable Building Lots For Sale
ON CATARAQUI AND ORCHARD STREETS opposite the Cotton Mill. Also on Cataraqui and Grove streets.
No money required down. Apply at the Kingston Foundry.
DAVIDSON, DORAN & CO.
April 18th.

Modes de Paris,
WELLINGTON STREET.
MRS. ANGLIN
SHOW ROOMS
—ARE—
NOW OPEN!
—With a full assortment of—
French, English, and American
MILLINERY!
April 11.

DO YOU WANT BARGAINS
—IF SO, GO TO THE—
CHEAP UP-TOWN STORE
E. DELANEY,
288 Princess Street,
FOR STAPLE AND FANCY
Dry Goods
Gent's Furnishings, &c., replete with Every Novelty in Shirts, Scarfs, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Braces, Gloves, Hosiery, Extra Quality of Gent's Umbrellas.
April 11.

75 DOZEN
GENUINE
Swiss Hats!
Leave Your Order Early
The Latest Stiff Hat is a low round crown, 2¼ in. high, 1¾ in. brim, with flat curl. Worn very much in larger cities.
The satin Underbrim still continues the leading dressy hat. Made narrower in brim than the above.
Another case just to hand at the
NEW HAT STORE,
MILLS BROS.,
April 17. Cor. Princess and Bagot Streets.

APPLICATIONS
WILL be received at the City Clerk's Office until SATURDAY, the 29th day of April instant, from persons desirous of receiving the appointment of Pound Bailiff for the city.
The applicant to state the terms on which he will accept the position.
By order.
M. FLANAGAN, City Clerk.
Kingston, April 22, '82.

CARRUTHERS BROTHERS,
FINANCIAL AGENTS,
CLARENCE ST.....KINGSTON
MONEY LOANED on Real Estate and other securities.
Nov 11 1880

GEO. PEDLER,
PIANO AND ORGAN TUNER.
Repairing and tuning strictly attended to in city and country. Old Pianos and Organs bought and sold.
Dec. 23. No. 126 Union Street

CHAMBERLEN A. IRWIN, M.D.
(Queen's University, 1868).
PHYSICIAN, SURGEON, &c.
Office at the late DR. YATES' SURGERY.
April 6

Daily British Whig.

What the Burdock Was Good For.

"Good for nothing," the farmer said,
As he made a sweep at the burdock's head;
But then, he thought it was best, no doubt,
To come some day and root it out.
So he lowered his scythe, and went his way,
To see his corn, to gather his hay;
And the weed grew safe and strong and tall,
Close by the side of the garden wall.

"Good for a home," cried the little toad,
As he hopped up out of the dusty road.
He had just been having a dreadful fright,
The boy who gave it was yet in sight.
Here it was cool and dark and green,
The safest kind of a leafy screen.
The toad was happy; "For," said he,
"The burdock was plainly meant for me."

"Good for a prop," the spider thought,
And to and fro with care he wrought,
Till he fastened it well to an evergreen,
And spun his cables fine between.
'T was a beautiful bridge,—a triumph of skill;
The flies came 'round, as idlers will;
The spider lurked in his corner dim,
The more that came, the better for him.

"Good for play," said a child, perplext
To know what frolic was coming next.
So she gathered the burrs that all despised,
And her city playmate was quite surprised
To see what a beautiful basket or chair
Could be made, with a little time and care.
They ranged their treasures about with pride,
And played all day by the burdock's side.

Nothing is lost in this world of ours;
Honey comes from the idle flowers;
The weed which we pass in utter scorn,
May save a life by another morn.
Wonders await us at every turn.
We must be silent, and gladly learn.
No room for recklessness or abuse,
Since even a burdock has its use.

—*St. Nicholas*

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

The Closing Proceedings — Lecture by Rev. Principal Grant on "Our Political Duty"—A third Part.

Last evening Principal Grant lectured in Queen's College, in connection with the closing Convocation ceremonies. Chancellor Fleming occupied the chair, and upon the platform were several of the Professors and members of the University Council. The Doctor's subject was "Our Political Duty,"

What have we to do with politics? it may be asked. Is not the whole matter in the hands of the great trades' unions, called respectively the Reform party and the Liberal Conservative party? And as we profess to belong to neither how can we interfere? We are simply citizens; only that and nothing more. The first question, then, that we must answer is, Do we as citizens owe any duty to our country? If so we must pay our debts or cease to be entitled to the name of honest men. More specifically ought we to be interested in the institutions, in the law making, and in the Government of our country. We must be politicians—a terrible conclusion to Christians of the Plymouth Brethren stamp. Is it not a sign of falling from grace when one is interested in worldly matters? The conclusion is equally puzzling to the party man. "You profess to be a politician and yet belong to neither the great Grit nor the great Tory party," he exclaims, with either an incredulous or disgusted look. "Are you on the fence or where are you? And where would you have us be?" After quoting Emerson's introduction to his essay on politics, the Dr. proceeded: "In a free state it is the duty of every man to be a politician, and the wiser he is the more incumbent is it on him to be a politician. That is, he must endeavor to make the laws, institutions, and practice of the nation better. Of course he may vote. Any fool may whose name is on the voters' list. Much more, surely, may a good man vote if he thinks it worth his while. But he must do a great deal more. He should teach men what to vote for. Can we get a principle which will comprehend within itself all our political duties? Yes, our first duty to the state is loyalty, our second is loyalty, our third is loyalty. That is the one thing needful. From it the special duties of the hour must flow. If you have not it, and do not wish it, your views of political duty will be regulated by self-interest, that is you throw aside duty altogether, for notwithstanding the many volumes of many wise men it seems to be that you can

EVOLVE DUTY FROM SELFISHNESS.

only by evolving out of duty the idea which constitutes it. It is then with politics as it is with religion—there is only one thing needful. That thing is love. 'Love is the fulfillment of the law.' Given that one principle and everything follows in its due time and place. If that is awanting there may be knowledge, orthodoxy, blamelessness of life, zeal, and yet the possessor may be as destitute of religion as a dog. Your dog may have all these qualities. But I do the dog a serious injustice. He has something that may be called the reflection of religion and you have not. One power, passion or principle alone sways him, the principle of greed. We see, then, what is required of us so far as the state is concerned; but the conception generally entertained of the state itself is vague, vast, impalpable. How can you get your arms around half a continent and several millions of people? These masses know little of each other. They cannot meet to arrange about what they wish to get done. They elect representatives to a Parliament to do that for them. Parliament, then, is an incarnation of the people. It is the reason of the people, the conscience, the voice of the people, and its decrees are the will of the people. When Parliament does its work well it is simply the people doing their work well. Is then our Parliament perfect? Are there any hindrances to it doing its work with the utmost efficiency? I have had opportunities during the last month or two of seeing Parliament more closely than I ever saw it before. I now know the processes through which a bill must pass before it becomes law. What impression did I form of the two Houses? A far more favorable impression than I had anticipated, judging them by the newspapers. One tells us that the men who sit on the right of the Speaker are knaves and fools; another tells us that the men who sit on the left of the Speaker are corrupt and obstructive. I was favourably impressed with the average M.P. and Senator. As a Canadian I felt proud that we had such a body of men. I have seen no assemblage of Canadians, lay or clerical, that could compare with them for a moment. The assertion that the Provincial Synod of the Episcopal Church, or the General Conference of the Methodist Church, or the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church contains an equal or even greater number of able men is a pious imagination.

PERHAPS A PIOUS FRAUD.

Of course there are weak brethren and scallawags in Parliament. Such characters find their way into every assembly. I certainly never saw a Synod without them, but the general average and general tone of the Canadian Parliament in such that I felt that no Canadian need be ashamed of it. The intellectual and speaking power, the judicial temper, the generally dignified behaviour, and what might be called the common sense of the House makes it worthily represent the country. But I must distinguish. I have described the Members of Parliament as they are discussing the general measures, such as telegraphing, banking or temporalities. But there is another side to the picture. Let the matters under discussion be one affecting party relations—and unfortunately that is the position in which the country usually sees them—and men become as different from their normal condition as night is from day. Intellect is suppressed, conscience is hushed, good sense is banished, good manners cease, everything that makes men worthy of the respect that is sacrificed to the great God party. Arguments will be advanced in support of measures, decided in caucus, that school boys would not use, and these arguments will be loudly applauded by men of ability. Individuals will be attacked, and the vote as to whether a statesman is or is not a public thief will be a strict party vote. What must be the effect of this blinding of the intellect, this twisting of the conscience, this lowering of high ideal, this gradual destruction of self-respect. Parliament sits with open doors, but the caucus sits with closed doors, and it is in caucus that the real decision is arrived at. Decision in Parliament is a mock-fight. No one is killed, no one is converted. It is conceded that the decrees of the caucus are to be registered. All this means that there is to be really no discussion at all. Discussion means an actual effort to ascertain the truth, or what is best for the country, but all that the caucus considers is how will it immediately injure or benefit the party? That being decided there commences an elaborate suppression of unpleasant evidence, and a

SYSTEMATIC MYSTIFICATION OF FACTS.

This work commences in caucus, is rehearsed in Parliament, and is dinned into the ears of all the people by the 1,000 tongued iteration of the party press. This particular measure may be good in itself, but if you support it you go against your party, and you may be read out of it. To be black-balled by a club is bad, to be expelled by a church is worse, but to be read out of a party is worst of all. Such a threat will make all but the bravest eat any quantity of dirt, and when a man has eaten a good deal of dirt he becomes eager to make others eat it also. I need say no more about party government. It means government of the people, not by the people but by a faction, which of necessity counts itself first and the country a bad second. I believe that all that Goldwin Smith has written of the evils inherent in and connected with the system is true. We come now to two important questions—Is this state of things necessary? and if not how is a change to be effected? Politicians, speaking with experience of Government, say it is necessary. Why should party Government be indispensible in politics more than in any other joint stock undertaking? We appoint Members of Parliament to do the common work; why should we not appoint the irrespective of party, men best fitted for the various departments of work that has to be done. This is the way that all other bodies, church courts, banks, or other joint stock companies do their business. Why should the University not be carried on according to the party government system? Nearly one half of us, called the Opposition, should seek to paralyse and discredit the larger half. It should spend its time in trying to make out that the Opposition is a bad lot, and that Goldwin is the only friend of the University. The only advantage that I could see for such a state of affairs is that

THERE WOULD BE NO PLUCKING.

The Government wouldn't venture to pluck, for that would strengthen the Opposition. There are three points I may call your attention to; (1) That party government has not and cannot have the checks in Canada that it has in Britain; (2) that it cannot plead the same reasons for its existence here that it had in the old country; (3) that the tendency of party government is from bad to worse. No limit can be set to the unscrupulousness of action, and we shall not experience its full power for evil till some leader rises who combines great intellectual force with thorough unselfishness and unscrupulousness. We are preparing the materials that such a leader can use them for the degradation of the country. After an elaborate reference to the politics of Great Britain the learned lecturer said: "Can a radical change be brought about? I do not know, but I do know that we can try, and the very trying would do good. All reforms proceed slowly, and what greater reform can be proposed than the substitution of popular for party government. How should it be sought to effect such a change? It could be done only by organization, by a gradual formation of what would practicably be a third party. Sometimes a third party has been organized to compass some useful measure or reform. The Corn Law League was organized in Britain to secure the abolition of the corn laws, and when success crowned its efforts the League dissolved. Party whose end and aim was that Parliament should govern the country by Committees, and an Executive of the greatest, when elected by a whole House and directly responsible to the whole House, would have done its work when it had convinced the country that such a method of government was practicable. Even if it did nothing at first but agitate the question the public mind would be directed to the

EVILS OF PARTY GOVERNMENT,

and we would be so much gained. Men would have more freedom in emancipating themselves from the slavery of party, and the idea that Parliament was simply a commission of the whole people, to serve the common weal, would take hold on men's minds and bear fruit. Should the next step be the establishment of an organ or organs of public opinion, independent of party, men would breathe more freely. At present criticism of a Government by an Opposition has little, if any, weight, because it is understood that no matter what the Government may do or propose the Opposition is obliged to find fault. Criticism by two or three men, whom the country believed to be unfettered by party ties and obligations would be of more weight than the whole force of Opposition, constituted as these are under the present system. Questions may soon emerge, in connection with which the country shall crave to hear, not the passionate outcries of the ins and outs, but the decisions of calm, impartial and unprejudiced men. Then should the leaven leaven the whole lump, and should the country come to see that a really popular Government was possible, we would be for the first time a free, self-governing people. Is it not worth while to labour and to wait for such a consummation? But what is our political duty in the meantime? you ask. Your duty is to

BE LOYAL TO CANADA.

If there be wisdom in what has been