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"THAT GOD IN ALL THINGS MAY BE GLORIFIED THROUGH JESUS CHRIST." -Peter.

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Editorial Outlook

IN GREAT BRITAIN.

The tariff campaign in Great Britain is taking shape. Nothing will be proposed during the present session of Parliament. After the session Mr. Chamberlain will begin a general propaganda, which will be carried on vigorously till the general elections, the date of which is not yet known. Mr. Chamberlain and Premier Balfour evidently understand each other perfectly in this matter.

POLITICAL NEWS.

It is proposed to hold a Conservative Convention in Ontario within a few weeks.

Rudolph Hetu, serving a sentence in jail for conspiracy and fraud in a Montreal Dominion election, has been pardoned by the Government.

Mr. H. J. Cloran, of Montreal, has been appointed to the Senate. The British Columbia general elec-

tions will take place in the autumn. The Manitoba elections will be held on the 20th inst.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

The big trusts in the United States are not likely to contribute anything to the campaign fund for President Roosevelt in the next election. He is not the kind of a President they like to have. It is stated that it took \$6,000,000 to elect President McKinley, and Roosevelt's opponents think he will be badly off without an equally large fund. His friends, however, believe that comparatively little money will be needed in his case. His independent course commends him to the best elements in both parties.

THE DEAF AND DUMB.

The Board of Education of New Brunswick has made an arrangement by which deaf and dumb children in this Province may be sent to the Halifax school for the deaf and dumb. Dr. Inch and Premier Tweedie were in Halifax a few days ago arranging the matter. New Brunswick children are to go there on the same terms as Nova Scotia children. The cost for each pupil is \$165.00 per year, half of which will be paid by the Provincial Government and half by the municipality in which the pupil resides. It is, of course, send cheir children to Halifax, but that is probably what most of them will do.

ALCOHOL AND BRAINS.

Dr. Lorenz, the eminent European surgeon, who has just made his second visit to this continent, and whose remarkable operations have attracted much attention, emphatically declares the danger of alcoholic drinks. A banquet was given in his honor in New York city, and wine was served. The eminent guest declined it and politely requested the waiter to bring him a cup of tea. This caused him to be asked if he were a total abstainer from the use of wines and other liquors. His answer was as follows: "I cannot say that I am a temperance agitator, but I am a surgeon. My success depends upon my brains being clear, my muscles firm, and my nerves steady. No one can take alcoholic liquors without blunting these physical powers which I must keep always on edge. As a surgeon, I must not drink." There is in these few words a whole temperance lecture.

POLITICAL CORRUPTION.

The Ontario Methodist Conference committee on temperance and moral reform presented the following:

In our national relations the ballot box is our supreme place of power, and the privilege of the ballot is a sacred trust to be used in obedience to the behests of Christ and not of party feeling. Your Committee recommend that this Conference express its undying opposition to the growing evil of political corruption, which tends to the moral degradation of our electorate, defrauds the independent and honest voter of his due influence on the government of the country, and by making the influence of illicit campaign funds almost irresistible, makes it well nigh impossible to enact any law antagonizing the interest of any corporation, home or foreign, sufficiently wealthy to make donations to influence legislation and therefore endangers our national freedom and morality; and that a re-solution be sent to both Houses of Parliament now in session at Ottawa praying them to so amend our election law on the lines of the English law, as to prevent corrupt practices at elections and to prevent the miscarriage of justice by means of the "saw-off" as it is called in the case of protested elections.

NOTES.

Mr. C. W. Colter, who has been appointed County Court judge in Haldimand, Ont., is a New Brunswicker, a brother of J. J. Colter, of Frederic-

The commission appointed by the optional with parents whether they N. S. Legislature to erect a monument to the Hon. Joseph Howe have decided on a bronze statue on a pedestal of Nova Scotia granite, to be

erected in the Province Building Square.

It is stated that Mr. C. A. Lugrin has been appointed editor of the St. John Telegraph. Mr. Lugrin was chief editorial writer on the Telegraph staff some years ago. He has been in the west several years. He is an accomplished journalist.

It is now announced that there is no hope of restoring the sight of Mr. Ira D. Sankey, the singing evange-

Hon. D. Farquharson, M.P., formerly Premier of Prince Edward Island, died last week in Charlottetown.

The German authorities have begun an active campaign against medical quacks. In no other civilized country are there so many quacks of all sorts and nowhere else are they so rewarded by numerous and wellto-do patients.

The United States post office scandals assume larger proportions as the investigation progresses. The President has ordered the most searching inquiry, and the punishment of every guilty person.

What Others Say.

VERY WRONG.

There is something wrong when the devil compliments you.—Free Baptist.

SOMETHING ELSE, ALSO.

No preacher can live by the constant iteration of a spiritual experience, however great and decisive. If he tries to do so he becomes monotonous and unimpressive even to himself. The dews are dried and no physical fervor will soften the aridity. Many of the addresses we have listened to in the Salvation Army have carried no power with them, have suggested no depth of thought or knowledge. They have been sincere, no doubt, but something more than sincerity is needed.—British Weekly.

HOW IT WILL COME.

Christian union will not be through any grand stroke of policy, the process will have no resemblance to the building up of a syndicate. It will be through the spread of a deeper religiousness among mankind, with an accompanying sense of the simplicity of the religious relation and the essential conditions of the religious life. How that is to come about we are not prepared to say; but, if the Christian world could even realize it as desirable, a great step would have been gained. - Montreal

You cannot make men moral by law. Paris green doesn't make potatoes grow, WHAT LAW DOES.

but it kills the vermin that prevent them from growing. Law does not stop crime but when the men behind the law are incorruptible the evil is lessened. Law is not intended to make men better, but to secure justice. If I buy a bill of goods from your merchant and refuse to pay for it, he can sue and force me to pay. That suit would not make me more honest, but it secures justice. Law forces men to be just. Law is to protect every man, woman, and boy. You can not reform by law; that work is for the gospel and the home. But law protects the weak, and secures justice.— Rev. W. F. Berry.

BACK TO ROME.

The High Church party in the Episcopal church both in England and the United States is going directly toward Rome. Not a few of them are ready for disestablishment in England to the end of cutting free of the Protestant obstruction and of making peace with the Pope. The Lamp, published at Garrison, N. Y., speaks with horror of Protestantism. It says:

The loss of Catholic unity and the consequent loss of men's faith in the saving power of the Catholic church has, we believe, peopled hell with more souls than all else that Satan has been able to do to render null and void the redemptive work of the Son of God. In view of this awful fact let us have done with the glorification of that greatest victory of the gates of hell against the Church of Christ, the so-called Reformation.

This paper issues a "Rosary League Leaflet," which gives instructions regarding prayers to Mary, on one of which are these words:

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of death.

The Lamp is at the head of the extreme wing, but it is not alone, and following along after it are a great host who do not go so fast.

It would be interesting indeed to see the great Nonconformost body of Christians join in with the High Church party to disestablish the church. Stranger things have happened. We would be glad to see the split come in the Episcopal church. Those who have set their heads to having a great visible establishment, an earthly hierarchy, would do less harm should they go off to their own, to the Pope. It is strange how deadly is the grasp of the visible in religion upon some types of mind.— Baptist Argus.

"VIM TEA" BAND CONCERTS.

Baird & Peters, blenders and packers of Vim Tea, have decided to give the citizens of St. John the pleasure of a series of band concerts, an example in public spirit that is worthy of emulation. They have arranged with the City Cornet Band to give a series of fourteen concerts.