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THE RESULT.

The battle in full swing on the day of our last issue, was fought out to a finish. The result was decisive. The unrestricted reciprocity movement was driven to the wall utterly. The precise dimensions of the victory are still in dispute, but it is now admitted on all hands that the Macdonald Government has secured a good working majority. It seems certain that the majority will at least reach a figure somewhere between thirty and forty. It is possible the figure will be found between forty and fifty.

marked by some striking features. In the tirst place, not a single unrestricted reciprocity candidate appears to have won a seat for any constituency between | country to condemn the government has the western shores of Lake Superior and been exhausted to no avail; when the those of the Pacific Ocean. The delegations from British Columbia, from the charge the present trade depression to the territories and from Manitoba are solid immediate policy of a government they against the U. R. fad. In the next place, cannot displace; when hope has departed the Maritime Provinces, as a whole, gave the party heart, it may be deemed a proan overwhelming majority against the per moment to suggest a desperate expedtreasonable scheme so cunningly concoct- ient, from which under other circumstaned. New Brunswick most distinguished ces the party would recoil. The reform itself in the good work. It would have leaders may announce political union with been a grand thing, had every one of its the United States as their future policy. constituencies voted down the Wiman- When the contention of the conservative Fairer-Cartwright craze. But that de- party that unrestricted reciprocity or sirable result came near being attained.

leading centres and other important constituencies, against the unrestricted champions was a notable fact. The chief Mon- three-fourths of the liberals will be contreal constituency went for the Government by a majority of thousands Westmorland returned Mr. Wood by a nearly two thousand majority. The St. John constituencies repudiated the "come-intomy-parlor" scheme, in the city by a majority of six hundred, in the city and county by majorities of eleven hundred and fifteen hundred. Halifax and Pictou went against the fad by large majorities. Northumberland, Gloucester and Kent did nobly in the struggle. The chain of constituencies from the St. John to the Restigouche lies firmly linked now on the

Finally, it would seem that both Ontario and Quebec went for the Government by The party leaders are too greatly comsmall majorities. The victory was decisive. It might easily have been more

MR. BLAKE AND THE LATE GEN-ERAL ELECTION.

For some time before the late general election took place, it was publicly known that Mr. E. Blake, for some time chief leader of the Reform party, had refused to be a candidate for re-election, and that he had sent a communication to a party convention in West Durham, furnishing his reasons for refusing. It was assumed by Liberal Conservative journals and stumpers that Mr. Blake's refusal was based on his disagreement with his party on the reciprocity issue. Reform journals and stumpers denied this, and asserted that his withdrawal rested on mere private grounds, and that Mr. Blake was still in full sympathy with his party. The reply was: the circumstances are all against you, but end all dispute on the question by publishing the Blake letter. But, though the matter was of great public interest, neither was the letter given to the public nor was silence broken by any public speech from Mr. Blake.

But on polling day, when it was too late for the 'etter to have any effect, Mr. Blake sent it for publication to the press.

the ablest man in the party with which he sufferers; there have been various enteridentified himself. But he appears to tainments and collections for the same sad great disadvantage in this transaction. disaster. His letter shews that he objected to the unrestricted reciprocity proposal on almost precisely the same grounds as the Liberal Conservatives objected thereto. One would have thought that in the situation he would have felt his obligations to his country to be tenfold greater than those to his party, and that he would have frankly and boldly intervened in the conflict. His wishes ran in this direction, but he allowed himself to be coaxed into silence

until after the election. The men to whose entreaties he yielded were infinitely his inferiors in mental capacity. It does not speak well for his fitness for leadership that he was thus swayed against his will.

The document itself is not creditable to him in any way. Its style is often involved, its meaning ambiguous. Its assumptions are glaring. Its views at certain points are very narrow. It contains some heavy flings at the government and its

policy; but unfortunately, they are of the same order as his diatribes, against the government and its doings its projects and its prospects in connection with the Canada Pacific railway. Now, there never was an eminent public man whose prophesies of gloom, whose dreadful prognostications of evil, and terrible denunciations based on dyspeptic exaggerations have been so hardly dealt with by the logic of events as Mr. Blake's.

But right or wrong in this case he saw clearly enough the meaning of the unrestricted reciprocity scheme. He should have counselled his country in the crisis. Had he done so, probably a dozen constituencies would have acted accordingly.

In another column of this paper Mr. John B. Gogain's card will be found offering himself for the vacancy that has occurred in the House of Assembly through the resignation of Mr. LeBlanc. Mr. Gogain is popular and well adapted to make a good representative and may have no opposition. We hope so, as we are about sick of elections.

An Independant View.

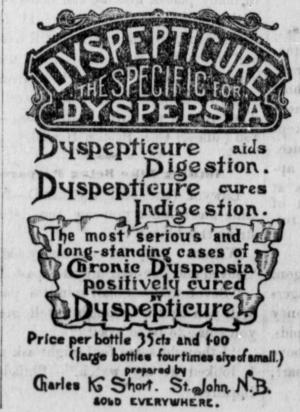
The Toronto World (Independent) says Probably the strategists who now lead the reform party may consider the moment opportune for the announcement of a startling policy. When the liberals throughout the country are crushed and depressed with an overwhelming defeat The result apart from the main point is where victory was expected, when the party is groaning beneath its fourth successive disaster at the polls, and every issue on which the reformers can ask the members of the party have been taught to commercial union would inevitably result Then, the immense majorities given in in political union is supported by the opinion of Hon. Edward Blake; when such is the confidence in the latter's judgment, vinced that the contention is sound-that conviction is permeating the party, the leaders must either abandon commercial union or accept all it involves. There is no middle course, and adopting either necessitates prompt action, so that the new policy may be widely inculcated before another election arrives. It is easier to advance than to recede. The liberal leaders in caucus may so decide. There are a great many signs indicating that the decision will be will Cartwright in virtual leadership and his views supported by a strong wing of which Charlton and Longley are the types, and with Farrer as his organist the decision may be anticipated. mitted, have formed too many entanglements with Washington, to decide on any other course than that.

St. John Correspondence.

Of course there is very little to say now about anything save politics-it is all election. One thing there is not much business at this time of year to spoil-a fact that I apprehend Sir John fairly took into consideration. Still in spite of election and dull times St. John is pretty bright-you see the ladies will "shop" and they will dress nicely, and that gives the streets a cheerful appearance although it is Lent. The shops too are all prettily dressed, indeed I think the dry goods merchants have as a rule excellent taste. Speaking of dress, I am reminded of a really lovely picture I have lately seen at at Messrs. Swan & Welldon's, on Carleton St., it is of a young lady in evening dress of pale pink satin and creamy lace-it is painted in pastel—the flesh tints, and the sheeny satin are really wonderful. It is one of the prettiest bits of art I have seen this side of the "big pond." There are many other pictures at Mr. Swann's studio -both in black and white as well as in pastel and watercolor.

There was a concert at the St. John (stone) church schoolroom on Car-We have regarded Mr. Blake as by much leton St.-in aid of the Spring Hill

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