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#### THE CRISIS.

A cri ical hour has arrived in the history of Canada. To-day Canadian freemen are called upon to vote on the gravest issues submitted to them since confederation. Two parties seek their suffrages. One party favors a policy which tends to strengthen Canada's connection with the empire, would leave Canada master of its own destiny, free to guard its own interests, and to push its trade in all possible directions. The other party propounds a policy which, while it might secure free trade between Canada and the United States would restrict trade between Canada and all other nations, particularly the mother nation, would deliver up Canada bound hand and foot, to the mercy of Washington politicians, who would frame its tariff and fix the character of its fiscal system, would impose a tremendous burden of direct taxation on the portion of the Canadian people least able to pay it, and, breaking up the British empire, would ensure the absoption of Canada into the United States. He, therefore, who, to-day votes for unrestricted reciprocity candidates, votes, whether consciously or otherwise, for the disruption of the empire, for the imposition of an awful burden of direct taxation, and for the subjection of free Canada to a condition of intolerable slavery to a foreign power. Can any sensible right thinking patriotic .Canadian elector under any consideration whatever bring himself to vote for men upholding such a thrice-accursed policy ?

The House of Commons. or another in politics, and especially in Dominion politics, a great many people do not keep in mind the precise facts in regard to the composition of the House of Commons. There are in the House of Commons 215 members, of whom the Province of Ontario contributes 92, the Province of Quebec 65, Nova Scotia 21, New Brunswick 16, British Columbia 6, Prince Edward Island 6, Manitoba 5, and the North-west Territories 4. There are quite a number of members whose political views are not very clear or well defined, some of whom are Nationalists, some Conservative-Nationalists, some Independents and some Equal Righters ; as a rule, however, even

these members adhere pretty strictly, except perhaps in regard to one or two issues, to one or other of the political parties. Of the whole number of members 132 are more or less closely bound together in the

Conservative party, while 83 formed the Liberal side of the House. There never has been a full House, and it is very seldom indeed that there are not from a dozen to a score of members absent. The largest division recorded in the House last session was, we believe, on Sir John Thompson's amendment to the motion in regard to the French language question when 199 members voted on the one side or the other. The majority in favor of the amendment on this occasion was 99, but this was not a party division, the parties being well represented on both sides of the question. In another division on the same question 180 members voted, of whom 63 voted one way and 117 the other, showing a majority of 54, but neither was a straight party division. On such questions as those of supply, rebate on corn, Customs reform skip's cup for this season. and the amendment of the Dominion Election Act, which were all purely party questions, the Government's majorities ranged from 31 to 43 in Houses of from 152 to 163 members.

To the Editor of The Review :

Dear Sir,-In THE REVIEW of the 12th inst. I published a communication over the nom de plume of "Jean," in which I stated a few facts about our new post office, which seems to have raised the ire of some person who signs himself

are to be hospitably entertained by their In spite of the fact that almost every friends the "Weldford team " in the near Canadian takes an interest for one reason | future at a grand banquet. The "menu" as spoken of is something superb and well justifies the liberality of the latter team. WHIST AND EUCHRE CLUB-This favorite pastime is to be no more. The president and vice-president having decided to migrate, their chums will not reorganize till next autumn when geese and young pigs may be more numerous and it will then be again inaugurated at a grand supper.

> SMOKING PARTY-This has become a most favorite luxury. To invite a bosom friend to have a "smoke" is considered bestowing dignity and honor upon the guest. I believe one is to be held next week when the pros and cons of the situation will be debated ad libitum.

POLITICAL-H. A. Powell and E. H. Leger speak here tonight. The Conservatives are sanguine of a good majority in Harcourt and Leger's election in Kent. Hurrah for Canada and the Union Jack !

#### Bathurst Notes.

Inspector E. L. O'Brien is in town, and made one of an electioneering party who went to Caraquet last week, and suffered from cold and hunger in the glorious cause of politics.

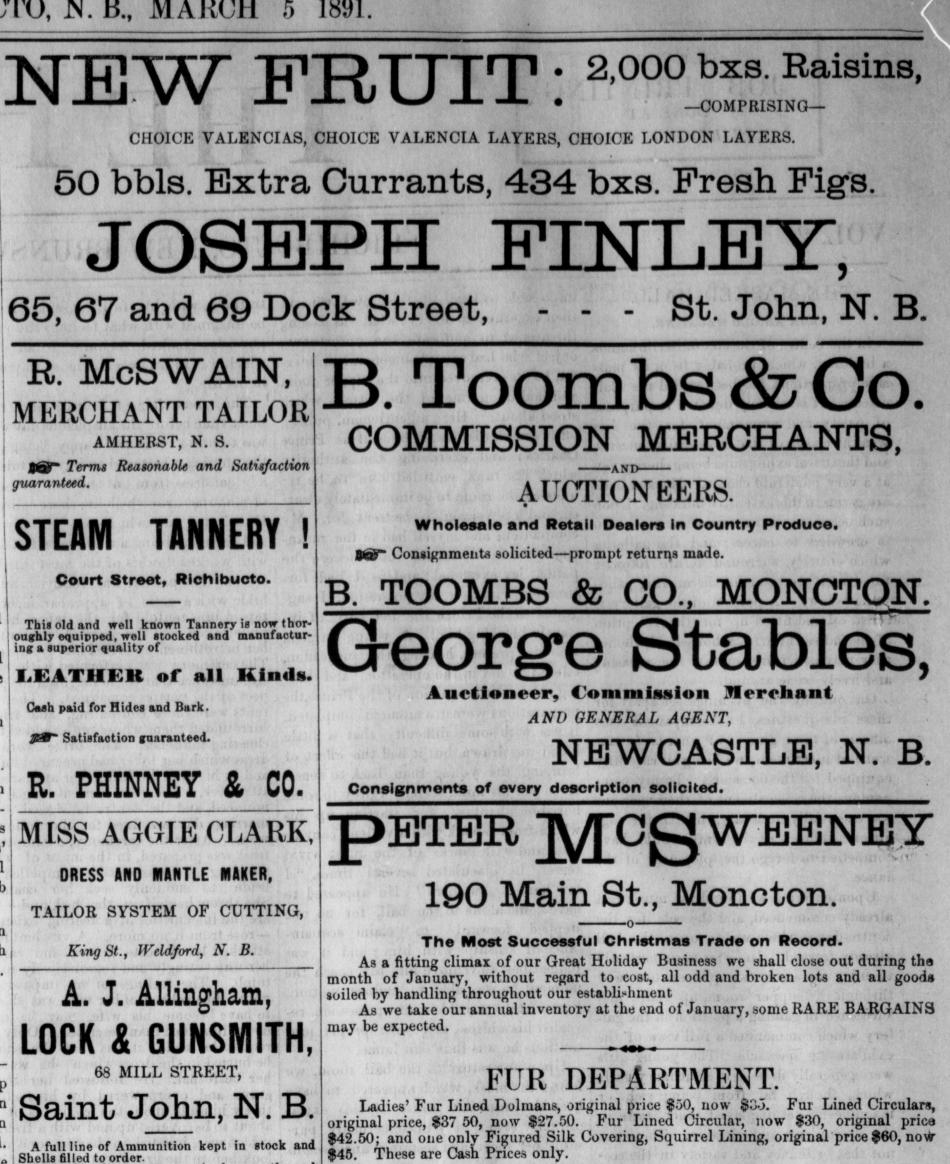
Mr. Jas. Ennis (St. John) was in town Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Jack Miller is visiting in Newcastle. There was an interesting game played in the Curling Rink last Friday, when Masters Murray Cowperthwaite and James Dunn competed for the second stones' medal. James Dunn was the successful competitor. Mr. Gus Stout won the sub

THE REVIEW is a welcome visitor in Bathurst and we all look forward with pleasant anticipation to its weekly visits. PAUL VASHER.

Bathurst, Feb. 24, 1891.

A Nashville, Tenn., despatch says :--Owing to a defect in the brake at the top of an incline at Whitewell coal mines on Saint John, N. B. Saturday, a car containing sixteen men dashed down the incline at terrific speed. Three men were instantly killed, and five others seriously injured. It is suspected a pin was removed from the brake during



#### TO-DAY'S DECISION.

We confidently expect that the decision announced today by the Canadian electororate on the issues submitted to it, will be in behalf of Canada for Canadians. All the omen- seem favorable for this expectation. The most renowned leaders of the old Reform party have refused to accept the unrestricted reciprocity fad; and multitudes of old time Liberals have joined hands with Liberal Conservatives in support of the policy of reasonable, safe reciprocity and British connection. On the other hand, nobody of the least note is known to have joined the unrestricted reciprocity party from the opposing party. Besides, the timid, shrinking, ambiguous uncandid, disingenuous way, in which the fad candidates have almost everywhere dealt with the issues raised, has contrasted most unfavorably with the candid, courageous and clear fashion in which they they have been met by the denouncers of the disreputable fad. Above all, the scheming, plotting and conspiring carried on by some traitorous Canadians and some greedy, covetous aliens to secure the success of the treacherous fad, having been brought to light at a timely moment must have greatly disgusted loyal Canadians of all sorts. We can hardly deem it possible that the decision about to be given should be of the wrong sort.

#### THE MAJORITY.

It seems scarcely worth while to speculate much on the size of the majority which will sustain Sir John A. Macdonald at the polls to-day. The figures being rolled up at the ballot boxes will soon speak for themselves, and settle all doubts on the subject. At present much difference of opinion prevails on the question Some of the fad supporters profess to expect their scheme to be approved by the great bulk of Canadian voter . One needs large faith to believe that they mean what they say in this case. Some Liberal Conservatives of feeble faith anticipate victory for Sir John by a somewhat diminished majority. Some over-sanguine Liberal Conservatives look for a majority approaching a hundred. A majority considerably less than the last will serve very well; but it cannot be too large. would be for the advantage of Canada to have all the fad champions completely snowed under by a perfect avalanche of votes.

"Au Revoir," and comes out with an article head-ed "John vs. the Post Office," in which he talks a great deal of Jean and very little post office. Poor Au Revoir! you must have been hard hit by the communication to get so mad and use such by the communication to get so mad and use such slanderous language as you do, which, of course, only shows what kind of a mean, contemptible creature you are. You would not be a fit follower of your illustrious political leader, if you did not resort to dirty tactics to cover up a dirty piece of business. Not satisfied with your vile slanders against me, you must even cast insinuations a-gainst Mr. Felix Landry, who is as far ahead of you for respectability as it is possible for one man

to be ahead of another. Now, Mr. Au Revoir, what is troubling you just now is the political situation. You know that Mr. Adams had the patronage of this county. And Adams had the battonage of this county. And after you and others managed to get our old post-master removed, Mr. Adams made an appoint-ment that was against the wishes of a large num-ber of the people of the parish—an appointment which the Government afterwards cancelled and instructed him to recommend on Acadian for the which the Government atterwards cancelled and instructed him to recommend an Acadian for the office, or the appointment would be made without his sanction. What do we find the friends of Mr. Adams do? After they find they can't have their own way, they call in the man who is now post-master and agree to have him recommended if he will sign on agreement to locate the her of the will sign an agreement to lease the bar of the Branswick House in which to hold the office. This, I am sorry to say, he was footish enough to do. Now, Mr. Au Revoir, you know why this was done. You know it was done for the express pur-

do. Now, Mr. Ad Revolt, you know why this was done. You know it was done for the express purpose of insulting the pastor of Rogersville. becau e he had insisted on having the rights of his Acadian parishioners (of whom there is a very large majority in the parish) recognized.
You surmise a great deal of what I would have said or done if certain other buildings had been chosen. But your surmises will do your cause no good, as they are only surmises, and no doubt with you the wish is father to the thought.
You say I gave no reasons why the building now used is not suitable. You must know, if you are not so bigoted as to let it override any little sense of decency that may be in you, that it is not proper for Her Majesty's mails and liquor to be distributed under the same roof; and if you were in Rogersville on Mardi Gras at the time the mails arrived you could have had ample proof that there is still liquor sold at the Brunswick House, notwithstanding your statement to the contrary. withstanding your statement to the contrary. You think I have a great deal of importinence to criticize the doings of Mr. King and the post office department. Now, I do not consider it an imper-tinence. I think it is a duty that I owe to the country at large to criticize Mr. King or any other way allows other man holding a public position who allows himself to be made a tool of by a gang of political shysters, and insults a whole parish knowing the facts as he did.

facts as he did. You seem to be troubled about my political po-sition. You say I am a Liberal in the morning and a conservative in the evening. Now, you know this to be as false as the source from which it emanates, as you know I have always been a Conservative, and an one yet. And you know that I am my own political master and am never afraid to state what side I am on. Not like you (who when you hear there is going to be an elecalraid to state what side I am on. Not fixe you (who, when you hear there is going to be an elec-tion) run from store to store asking what side Mike Adams is on, as you did in the Morrissey-Tweedie election. After the sale of Tweedie & Co. you know at that time you were against Twee-die, until you heard from Mr. Adams that he had endorsed the sale, and that you had to vote for Tweedie weedie

Now, to set your mind at rest, I will tell you that I am going to vote for Hon. Peter Mitchell, the Liberal candidate, because he is a Scotchman, the Liberal candidate, because he is a Sectembal, and by doing so will only be doing the same as Mr. Adams did in Kent last year when he worked for Mr. McInerney, a Liberal, because he was an Irishman. I do not vote against Mr. Adams be-cause he is an Irishman, but on account of his actions in the last election in Kent; actions that actions in the last election in Kent; actions that would have placed him outside the pale of the Conservative party in any other county but this. Had you been there and seen him driving around in company with Lieutenant Phil, who led the re-treat at the battle of Meyer's Creek, five years ago, in the Landry-McInerney election, and heard him calling good, respectable Irishmen Piggots and Careys because they would not vote against the true Conservative party, is I think a sufficient cause to make it the duty of every person who has any respect for himself, be he English, Irish, French or Scotch, to vote to keep such men as Mr Adams in their right place—which is not in pardams in their right place-which is not in parliament

Now, Mr. Au Revoir, I will leave you to your reditations until after the 5th of March, when I think you will find there are enough true Aca-dians in the Parish of Rogersville to snow Mr.

the night with malicious intent.



#### TWO POINTS.

Two points especially have been estab lished beyond doubt during the electioneering discussions just brought to a close. One of these is that direct taxation would have to be employed to repair the revenue losses caused by the working of unrestricted reciprocity. The other is, that, while in the indirect taxation imposed under the National Policy, the incidence falls mainly on the well-to-do classes, the incidence by direct taxation would fall the heaviest by far on the poor man. These conclusions cannot be shaken.

Adams under with their votes, and teach him and his servile followers that they must in future treat the Acadians of this province and the pastor and people of Rogersville with the respect that is due them. I remain, yours, etc., GEORGE JARDINE.

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Rogersville, Feb. 23, 1891.

#### Weldtord Notes.

ENTERTAINMENT-The ladies of Weld ford held an ovster supper and concert in the town hall Friday evening. In every particular the affair was crowned with success. In a musical point of view it was the best we have ever had the pleasure of witnessing in Weldford. The managers deserve every praise and we trust it will not be their last as good music is always appreciated-and oysters too. The proceeds-fifty dollars-will be appropriated to a new sidewalk from the Presbyterian church to the village and thence to St. Matthews church-Anglican. BANQUET-- The Mortimore Curling Club

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