CALCUTTA LETTER

EXTREMIST BLUFF AND

BLUSTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

As regards the power of adapta-

bility to his immediate environment

the successful politician must per-

force exhibit many of the qualities of

induential leaders co-operated with

NEW MINISTERS?

represented in the Ministries against

those who were enjoying power and

patronage and incidentally drawing

the cheques. In the event of the Swa-

rajist legislators abandoning their

obstructionist tactics, or alternatively

of the non-Congress legislators pledg-

ing their support in working the pre-

sent Constitution, the Governor would

still find it extremely difficult to select

dicated, previous Ministries have

His Majesty's Army, where

statesman

spirit in which it was framed and to in these days!

has a duty to discharge, and

that is to pursue political peace and

through an interesting and critical

period. "From what has lately hap-

nened there appears to be a desire on

the part of responsible leaders of

India in public opinion to respond to

the Viceroy's statement in the same

when the Legislature has

been in session! Perhaps the

CALCUTTA, November 12.

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In the West Riding of Yorkshire the

British Empire expanded.

ing name of "Civics": what false

appeals to patriotism and what false

assurances of security? Children are

commanded to observe Empire Day.

European comity of nations is some-

thing of which he should be very

proud; and if he is not, then, indeed,

is there something wrong in his educa-

tional record. To know the history

of a nation is to understand that

nation: "to know all is to forgive all."

unbounded applause.

gap which is difficult to fill.

career were singled out by Mr. Burdon fruit.

for special appreciation. They were

his single-hearted devotion and con-

stancy to service in his Department:

and to be a member of

Englishman draws

the culture of Europe, to be her most outstanding political

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contemplation he laboured in it for 22 years except to the British Admiralty during the Great thing else."-Mr. Krishnamurthi. generation now grow- War; his steadfast advance of the

emplation of horrors of the Crimean and improving audit as a means of enough to wait."-Mr. Gandhi. ar to older people. It is not the securing effective financial control inderstanding of the problems which work in connection with the Constitu- while beauty and wit may go single the us that will achieve the result tional Reforms, whereby he showed to the grave."—Mr. Beverley Nichols. hich we so ardently desire." Thus to the elected representatives of the To the elected representatives of the people in the Legislatures how to use tork when, at 10, Downing Street, the real power which the Constitution addressed a meeting of the World tion gives them in the control of pub-Mience for protecting international lic expenditure. None in touch with indiship through the Churches. the course of public affairs during the blind, structure-blind urban populawill ask of what advantage this past few years can doubt the justice tion."-Sir C. Grant Robertson. forks Alliance will be. Men have of the praise which Mr. Burdon exat Empire has, so far, remained enjoys. And he has been an outmore than a dream standing figure not only in the up-

world is educated." The religious ing thought which Sir Frederick can communities in Europe have still a carry away with him must be the repowerful hold over educational organi- collection that the Public Accounts sations. The Lateran Treaty has Committee of the Indian Legislature strongthened the patronage of the generously thanked him for this in a Church of Rome over the schools of formal resolution. Apart from his Italy, even though Signor Mussolini's official duties, Sir Frederick, and with Government enforces a doctrine of him Lady Gauntlett, has actively patriotism that is hardly in conformity laboured in many directions making with Roman teaching. The Church of for the good of mankind and for the England schools in England are still maintenance of high ideals. He will numerous; but, since the curriculum leave India with an enviable record and the methods of the Council schools that sets a high example. are obviously superior, various authorities are now supporting a concordat.

"It is always better Church schools are passing into the After Babel. to be silent and be hands of the Council, who promise, thought a fool than however, that the ministers of religion open your mouth and remove all shall have every reasonable access to doubt about." That is good advice the schools. Hitherto, it is doubtful but not appropriate for all occasions; whether the Church Schools have ineven the strongest and most silent culcated higher ideas of patriotism man must sometimes speak. Yet, and service than other schools. They thanks to the irresponsible persons have fortified Churchmanship, it is who raised the Tower of Babel, human true; but have they produced a special speech as often leads to concealment generation of peacemakers? Were the as to exposure. Most men and women, history books in the Church Schools preferring to expose themselves or to more truthful than those used in the listen to other people doing the same Council schools? Not a bit: they conthing, are consequently exceedingly tained more legends concerning the jealous of the language they most conversion of England to Christianity: easily speak and understand. Such but they never attempted to give a jealousy has for the past hundred fair explanation of English apathy to years been intense in Belgium, where the divorce proceedings of King Henry French and Flemish are spoken side the Eighth: of the English gentry, by side. The northern half of greedy for more land and power, fight-Belgium is Flemish; the southern ing against their King in the name of half is Walloon—a division that has religious purity; of the economic inevitably led to awkward differences. causes of America's revolt from Bri-The Flemish point of view is that the tain; of the means by which the extension of culture in Flanders is dependent on the unhindered develop-It is the easiest thing in the world ment of the popular language. The to admit poisonous teaching into the Walloon argument is that if the schools. Before the war the German Walloon is to know both languages in authorities knew very well how to order to gain a public position in the corrupt culture for the sake of a new central administration or a rank in patriotism. Sensible and thoughtful the army—the majority of Walloons people could never have accepted the adopt a civil service or military perversities of Might as Right if they career—he is at a disadvantage, since had not been deeply embedded in their the Flemish have an interest in learncarly training. It is almost true to ing a widespread language, whereas say that we can train the young to be the Walloon has no incentive to learn what we will. An Indian, after listen- Flemish in a practical fashion. The ing to an address given at the Bomstruggle has always centred round the bay Rotary Club by Commander University of Ghent, over which it Digby-Beste, who took as his subject has again come to a climax during the cies; and the Mahomedans, whose most the "Dufferin," admitted that here last few days. Plans for Flemicising was a man who knew how to educate the University have been suggested equally glad to participate in the dis-India: for if other Indian boys re- ever since 1911, but Walloon indigna- cussions in London. Joint action by inadequate for the needs of the situa- but are we going on with our job? tion has always resulted in a bi-lingual these diverse elements is inconceiv- tion. That is why bankers have been ceived the education and training of compromise. It is by again proposing able. The artificial unity created by called upon to meet a very large character now given to the boys on the "Dufferin." India would be a completeto Flemicise the University that a ly transformed nation. Charactersection of the Belgian Coalition Gov- sion has been shattered and cannot be there would be sufficient investment training, it is true, now holds a most ernment has brought the life of 'the re-established. important place in the British educawhole Government to a perilous crisis. tional system. But are we sure that Unless an agreement can be reached truth and the love of peace occupy a the Coalition will come to an end. In similar position in the British system? order to disorganise the country dur-What falsehoods lurk under the imposing the war Germany attempted to

exploit the linguistic difference be-

tween north and south, and it is

unfortunate for many other reasons,

chiefly economic, that Belgium can-

not settle what is considered by many

which that country can ill-afford Is this true of the ordinary Englishto sustain. Far from being the "serman's conception of history, the biography of nations? It is not. That is why we have grown accustomed to Premier was in every respect a hearing apparently intelligent men staunch supporter of his country's denounce a great nation with a few cause. Following the deadlock which Podsnapian phrases and then gaze arose over the subsidiary financial and round the room in the expectation of military agreements connected with the 1927 Treaty he resigned, and for three months Iraq was without a Cabinet. When the British Government in September announced its Sir Frederick where in our columns decision unconditionally to recommend Gauntlett. to-day an apprecia- the admission of Iraq to the League Ministers commanding a sufficient tion of Sir Frederick of Nations as a sovereign state in number of votes to keep them in office, Gauntlett's work as member, and 1932, the political situation in the inasmuch as, as has been finally head, of the Accounts and country changed entirely, and Sir Audit Department of the Government Abdul Muhsin Beg came back to power of India. It shows a man who has in amidst popular acclamation. But, as his public life, as in his private life, we pointed out at the time, Iraq's worshipped high ideals, brought great internal troubles are many and serious. ability to the pursuit of them and There were certain conditions attachlaboured unceasingly to apply them in ed to the recognition by Britain of the practical affairs of life. Now Irag's new status, and the Prethat at the end of many years of good mier was no doubt subjected to service Sir Frederick is laying down criticism in connection with them. But, the burden of office,—he is character-like a wise statesman, he appreciated istically staying in India a little longer the weaknesses of the new State. In than necessary in order that he may a significant portion of the letter to go into consultation with the authori- his son, which was omitted from the ties of Hyderabad State and give first summary handed to the press, them his expert advice in connection he wrote "The Iraqi people....are in with certain matters on which they fact weak and very far from deservhave invited it. The departure, on ing independence, yet unable to apretirement, of such a man from Indian preciate the advice given by men of official life is a public loss, for as Mr. honour like myself." There can be no Burdon, who succeeds him, frankly doubt that recent events in Palestine and without cant said at the farewell rendered Sir Abdul Muhsin Beg's task dinner in his honour in Delhi, the ex- more difficult, but his death must be responded to the call of duty in 1914- family who were considered good mu- joys, it was in those early years in make sure of the permanency of the cellence of his standards makes for laid at the door of those politicians 18, there were one or two references sicians. To these people, therefore I pre-war Petrograd that I really made hut. the improvement of the whole public who reviled him. It is a supreme to the problems of peace which may went. They heard me sing, and they my debut as a singer. service and his departure leaves a tragedy that he should have been driven to despair just when his long

OBITER DICTA.

"Intelligence is the capacity to disof the horrors of the for a period of special service at the cern the essential and reject every-

"If the time is not yet ripe for India ing up is more or less like the con- constructive policy of strengthening to come to her own, I have patience

"Any female, however twisted in has shown the way. India just now, as brees of the past but the right over expenditure, and his educative mind or body, may obtain any male, the Governor remarked, is passing

> "The day has gone by when a heedless man can amass a fortune and escape from the waste he has created." -The Dean of Manchester.

has resulted in a form blind, colour-"The Greeks worshipped physical

heritated to make war upon their pressed in these respects. Sir Frederick fitness, the Victorians respectability interiets. An universal Church has been almost the maker of the very and the peerage, the die-hards worship hing a peace throughout an high audit system which India now authority, and modern woman worships the self-made man!"-Miss Rosita Forbes.

IS A FINANCIAL CRISIS APPROACHING?

THE POSITION OF BRITISH BANKS.

(By SIR GEORGE PAISH, the famous British Economist).

the chameleon. At Delhi, Mr. J. M. Sen Gupta, Swarajist leader in the the policy that is needed to bring our by an extraordinary fall in the Americountry out of very great difficulties. can stock market. How far it will go Bengal Legislature, signed the leaders' manifesto, indicating readiness to Britain survived a period of great no one can tell. co-operate with Government at a difficulty during the Great War, but we have not yet got out of the period round-table conference convoked to design Constitutional Reforms whose of great difficulties which has resulted from the war. There are powerful purpose and effect will be to place India on the road leading, by the shortest possible route to Dominion Status. Addressing the Youth Conference at saying that it has come. To reach would largely assist us out of Bogra, however, the same leader, daylight we must pursue certain difficulties. The unemployment probsomewhat inconsistently declared; policies and unless we do pursue them lem depends on our savings and the "Having cut off all connections with we may not reach smooth water. The amount of new capital available for the foreign Government we should position is this. One of the things investment in our own country and declare the Congress our national which my study has convinced me of all over the world. Can this be done? government at the momentous session is that Britain has an inadequate sup- Is it physically possible? Money is of the Indian National Congress at ply of capital. At the present moment now being spent with a recklessness Liberals who seemed to have been so Lahore. The first step in this direction," he continued, "should be the boycott of the Legislatures." Again: everybody has been condemning the we have never before displayed. This bankers because they are not able to it partly due to heavy taxation. Feople do not know whether their money will "We shall have to come out of the cent. There has been a 6½ per be taken from them subsequently. But Lahore Congress with the banner of cent. increase in the bank rate. The the fact remains that capital is not constituted and the celestial Independence in our hand and for this truth is that the amount of credit being accumulated, and the result is we are to train up our people from that has been granted by the bankers that our great basic industries are in that has been enormous. I speak not as a depression. The depression in trade banker but as an impartial observer is mainly in coal, steel, shipbuilding direct the secondary modern and the result. portance to Congress oratory in this when I say that I think the bankers cotton, and the great basic trades of strain. Indeed, Mr. Sen Gupta i dicat- have been doing their level best to the country. If industrialists would ing permitted to intelligent pastors, ed its real inspiration when he dis- meet the situation by granting all the examine the nature of their sales in masters, barristers and schoolboys on closed his apprehension that the credit possible. I am convinced that pre-war days and see where their pro- Surday afternoons? Viceroy's statement would "create they have granted too much and not ducts went they would discover that divisions between the different politi- too little, and that, accordingly, too they went in no small degree to the cal groups"—an apprehension that, much bank credit has been created in countries in which we invested new however, has already materialised. The the world. We are drowned in a flood capital. In the ten years before the phrases! The Parliament Act.... ranks of the boycotters of the Statutory Commission have already been split, and no appeals by Congress Danking credit which cannot be retory Commission have already been deemed. People cannot pay it back. of Canada. We put up all the money of Canada. Whither and Why?...The Old
A large amount of it has become what for the building of these Canadian Order... The New Order...Whateaders will result in reuniting them. is known as frozen. Bankers have to In Bengal there are now at least four continue loans even when the money parties, or sections of opinion, to be cannot be repaid. One of the reasons reckoned with; the Independence party for this is that the supply of investwho reject the Viceroy's programme ment money is inadequate Investors control investors' money. Bankers' as a snare and a delusion; the mamoney must be essentially short ority of the Congress leaders, who although still deeply suspicious, and money. Bankers' loans must be made inclined to stipulate "conditions" de- in the same way for short periods. sire to participate in the Round Thus is floating money, whereas investment money is permanent money Table Conference; the miscellaneous Hindu parties outside the Congress which has not to be paid back. When fold, who accept Lord Irwin's offer un- you make an investment you do not conditionally, and who will not sup- want the money back, you want it secure and your interest regularly. port any revival of extremist poli-

MONEY SHORT.

the very wide resentment against the demand for their money. They concomposition of the Statutory Commis- tinued to give it in the hope that money to enable the bankers' loans to be redeemed. In 1913 we in this nation saved, at prices then current Not unnaturally, in view of the im- pounds. Out of that the increase in agents trying to get trade. The other he is at present struggling." Poor proved political situation, the ques- bankers' deposits was no more than nations of Europe are in the same man-but surely he has been in public tion is being canvassed: "Will it be forty million pounds-about ten per position as we are, except France, life long enough to know that there. possible, at long last, with on without cent. The whole of the balance was which is enjoying the advantage of is no need to struggle through a Swarajist support, to form a Ministry investors' money available for the an enormous tourist outlay and fifty-forest of courses at a public dinner. capable of surviving more than six building of houses, the construction of two per cent. of the German repara- He must have heard of the ex-Colonial months?" The answer is that it might factories, railway construction in other tions payments. Leaving France out, Governor who, after, attending the be interesting to make the experiment, countries, and the opening up of new take Germany, Italy, Czecho Slovakia, Royal Academy Banquet, died on the f for one reason alone, namely to districts in all parts of the world. Belgium and America In America way home. The doctor explained ascertain whether the Bengal Legisla- We were developing the industries of the extraordinary prosperity is coming that he had gone too long without ture does contain men who, in the the world at that time and the result to an end. Gold inflation has reach- food. In England you are invited to judgment of their fellow-legislators, was extraordinary trade activity. We led its limit and the bubble has burst. attend a public dinner; not necessapossess the qualifications required to were supplying a lot of that capital America will be looking for business rily to eat it. control, honestly and efficiently, im- to other countries in goods. What is as she has never looked before. This portant Departments of State. It the situation to-day? As far as I country will be up against the strong- ST. ANDREW'S DINNER. would be very misleading to assert can make out the bankers have been est competition it has ever faced. Iraq Premier's Sir Abdul Muhsin that all the Ministers who have been supplying the bulk of the money Prices are likely to be lower not high-Beg-es-Sa'dun, the tried, and dismissed, owed their ejec- available since pre-war days, and the er. I myself am expecting prices to tion entirely to the opposition of legis- consequence is that to-day they can- show a substantial fall. I am expect- House of Commons, will attend the lators to the dyarchical Constitution. not go on expanding their loans. We ing a great reduction in buying in Certainly this was one factor, but there have reached a crisis. Look at what consequence of the exhaustion of crewere two others equally potent, one is happening in America! They have dit. We will be engaged in the keenest vant of the British" as alleged by being the admitted incompetence, and created there an amount of banking industrial competition in our history unscrupulous political opponents, the in one or two cases alleged lack of in- credit that is enormous, and beyond and in order to survive we shall have tegrity, of the Ministers ejected; and anything created before, since the to strive for the maximum of effithe other, the personal and party war. Such a process obviously could ciency. resentments of those not included or

It has been my privilege and duty not continue, and the result is that a for a considerable period to have had the present time there is a relative to examine the national position and shortage, which has been accompanied for twenty-one years and yet survive is an accomplishment that no Englishman who reads the newspapers would discourteously ignore. It would

INVESTMENTS.

If we could induce people in this country and in other countries to find forces at work which make me hope investment money—that would prodaylight is not far off, but it is no use vide the new capital we require and port and sale of international pro- its views. duct are discounted in the London The supply of this money is totally market every year. It is our world, A DINNER. The nation which does things for itself, the nation that can deny itself, a dinner. Many distinguished people will come out best in the end.

U. S. PROSPERITY TO END?

business. I have no doubt our own Minister was unable to be present, something like four hundred million country has selling agents and other owing to the "forest of work in which

MY EARLY DAYS IN

PRE-WAR RUSSIA.

FAMOUS SINGER'S CAREER

enjoyed a feeling of secu- (By FEODOR CHALIAPIN, the world-famous Russian

be quoted with advantage. "In India," believed that with training and proper as His Excellency Sir Stanley Jack-guidance I would one day become a son aptly remarked, "we have special great singer. However, I had no Three aspects of Sir Frederick's fight for Iraq's freedom was bearing reasons to appreciate the presence of means with which to pay for the necessary tultion and training. Then which no other agency could equally Usatoff by name, took me under his accomplish." That is a truism which it wing, and offered to give me all the may prove necessary, in the next few singer in Tifflis. The role I then specially undertook was that of Tenio in "Il Pagliacci" though ensure it. In that respect, Lord Irwin there were of course many other parts which I took from time to time. Opera then was a very different proposition

FIRST CONTRACT.

"Industrialism from 1770 onwards arrive at an understanding which, if attained should enable good will to be

most plausible argument formulat-. It is well said that a prophet hath consequence of this that at the end of their occasional long week-ends and ed in favour of making another at no honour in his own country. While two years I broke the contract, and holidays out of the noise and dirt of tempt to install Ministers is that the this may not be entirely true, it is accepted an offer to join a private the town. We are all the more absence of a Ministry when the true. to a degree that many opera company run by a wealthy Pet- pleased, therefore, to hear of the Round Table Conference is sitting people sometimes find rather surpristrograd merchant, whose hobby was to enterprise of the Y. W. C. A. in would prejudice the interests of Ben- ing, and sometimes annoying, patronise music. His name was Ma- erecting such an hut on the sea-coast gal very seriously. Nevertheless, pre- As for me, personally, I too have mantoff. He it was who gave me my near the city, where they have sucvious experiments have not made the had my sorrows, I have known real chance of making good. Did I ceeded in obtaining a plot of land. selection of new Ministers much easier: times when I felt tempted to give up say that it was owing to the genero- This was used for the first time they have only indicated the men who in despair because no one seemed to sity of one man that I was able to during Divali, and from all accounts should be passed over. In a Council think I could sing. One man how-become a singer? Let me correct the holidays were made trebly enjoywhose chief characteristic is a dead ever, had faith in my abilities, and it myself. Two men, both large hearted able by the visit there. The girls level of mediocrity, where all desire to is largely owing to his generosity and and generous, had the principal part were divided into groups of orderlies lead and none desire to follow, the good works that I have been able to in the moulding of my career. It was who were responsible for the various task confronting the Governor is not win such successes as have come Usatoff who first set me on the road, chorus; and the camp programme one that will excite anybody's envy. my way. Let me tell how it was. As who prepared me for the journey. It included open-air discussion groups a boy, I had been more or less fond was Mamantoff who, a few years later handcrafts, swimming, games, and of music, and at the age of seventeen when I was beginning to find the road sing-songs, besides time for reading was an enthusiastic member of the rough and steep, assisted me with his and resting. The hut, of course, only Although the main burden of the little church choir in my native town encouragement and faith in my voice, holds 16 girls, so that the number speeches at the Armistice Day Dinner in Georgia, South Russia. Two years From that time, I can say that my accommodated is limited, but it in Calcutta was the defence of the later I tempted Providence and with chief difficulties were over, and though assuredly is a step in the right direc-Empire against external aggression a heart full of hope took the road to succeeding years brought their sortion. The difficulty is, as always, and the valour displayed by all who the town of Tifflis, where I knew a rows and tragedies, difficulties and financial, and funds are needed to AMAZING EXPERIENCE.

Since then I have visited most countries, and sung in many languages, but to the Girls' Work Secretary, but naturally, I think that there is no maintain peace and a sense of security it was that this teacher of music, language like Russian for me. Singing be very gratefully received, and the which no other agency could equally tracted by name took me under his language like Russian for me. Singing depart would have the satisfaction of in my native tongue I can give of my best. It is the same with all artists. knowing that he necessary training I needed, absolutional They may know and understand many helped on months, to reiterate again and again, tely free of charge. That was my tongues, but it is when they sing their Dances under But while the soldier stands prepared, sult. at the age of nineteen I was always ready to repress dismaking my debut as an operatic Russian it is Italian that I find the shortly—one at the G. I. P. Institute, best language in which to express my- Byculla, on Saturday, November 23rd self, though the Finnish language, is and one at the Ladies' Gymkhana, perhaps equally as good—at least to Malabar Hill, on Thursday, November me it is:—'Chacun a son gout'. This 28th, are an effort on the part of the reminds me of one of the most girls' clubs to raise their share of the amazing experiences of my career. I necessary funds. frem what it is nowadays. Although have been thirty-nine years on the THE LEAD. a recognised singer of some ability, stage and during all those years, only and taking leading roles, my earnings once have I ever sung to an audience at that period amounted to the equithat provided its own entertainment. stuff for nigh on to two hours, and valent of what is about £2 per week This was at Cardiff, in 1928. I had the length of the sermon and dryness arranged to give a concert there one of the subject was beginning to tell on evening, but owing to a breakdown on the congregation. In fact, Deacon the journey to Wales, I was nearly Beggs, who was seated near the rear substituted for distrust, thereby mak- After that auspicious start, in half an hour late in arriving at the end of the church, had dozed off. ing it possible to move forward to a ambition was to get to Petrograd, and concert hall. What was my amaze- Finally, the minister became pretty satisfactory solution of India's future this was realised when in 1893 or ment, to hear, on entering the building well exhausted so he ended his administration." "Peace and good- thereabouts I signed my first contract the audience joining in one great out- sermon with the following words: will" are words now on the lips of with the Marinsky Opera Co. of Pet- burst of singing. It seems that in- "We will close with a short prayer. every responsible statesman and pub- rograd, i.e., the old Imperial Opera stead of growing impatient at the Deacon Beggs will lead." licist, and Mr. Villiers welcomed, as a Co. On account, however, of a cer- delay and my non-arrival, this splen- The deacon awoke with a jerk and happy omen, the fact that the eleventh tain amount of intrigue and wire pul- did audience had decided to show that replied: "It isn't my lead; I just year after the Armistice, which was ling the next two years saw me in they were not so poor as to be unable dealt." significant building of the new order of control we have to apply ourselves to at prein the Duke of York's by elected representatives of the peosent is not the question of relative out gloriously as the first of the postno influential friends at Court, and selves, and the whole building resoundconsequently I was what one may ed to their choruses of Welsh songs, and you come home as late as this." in future to be the means practical genius which designed and but the paramount question of settling world some definite hopes that the describe as 'shelved', or passed over when at length I did arrive. This He: "Yes, my love, it took me all

CURRENT TOPICS

J. L. GARVIN.

Mr. George, ex-Premier, and Others Honour Mr. Garvin for Remaining in the Editorial Chair of the "Observer" for Twenty-one Years-Scotland and a Saint's Day.

To have been Editor of the Observer

hardly be true to say that Mr.

Garvin went into the arena when the Victorians came out, for by the time that Mr. Garvin ascended the editorial yadi, the British public had managed to survive the shock of Mr. Gladstone's death by rather more than ten years. Yet the decade that divided the death of Mr. Gladstone from the editorial ascension of Mr. Garvin was one full of disasters and tragedies. The utterly routed shortly before Mr. Gladstone's death impudently returned. In 1908 Mr. Asquith was actually powers, having pity upon a country direct the secular reading and think-

How well we know Mr. Garvin's

railways. We practically doubled the ever happened, whether we were at railways of Argentine and laid thou- war with Germany, estranged from sands of miles of railway in Brazil. Russia, annoyed with the French, We were also building up a large perplexed by the Italians or making mileage in India and Africa. To day some gesture for the approval of Amewe are doing nothing or practically rica, Mr. Garvin was sure to say nothing of this kind. The world could the right thing. In fact, he invanot be the world that is to-day if it rieblo said the only thing: for it is were not for the great transport sys-strange how often one must be plati-tems of railway and steam boat which tudinous if one wants to speak the Britain created. It would not be the truth. A volume of Mr. Garvin's world it is to-day if it were not for leaders would represent the sober the great credit system which we truth: only it would be rather too created and still, in a great measure, sober. It would, however, represent control. Nearly half the international some of the difficulties encountered by bills that are drawn for the trans- omniscience when compelled to change

Mr. Garvin's "coming of age" was -needless to say-commemorated with were present, including Mr. George, who has been fervently condemned, and as fervently praised, by Mr. The world to-day is preparing for Garvin in the past. The Prime

St. Andrew's Day Celebration Dinner to be held in the Town Hall, Bombay, on Saturday, November 30. Sir Alexander Murray, another member of the Commission, is also likely to be present. His Excellency the Governor will be the guest of honour, and other prominent guests in addition to the members of the Labour Commission will include Bishop Dyke Acland, the new Bishop of Bombay; Major-General Weir, Sir Reginald Spence, Sir Arthur Froom, Sir Hugh Cocke, Mr. W. H. Neilson, Mr. P. A. Kelly and many others. Those who intend to be present at the dinner are advised to secure their tickets early.

There are in Bombay large numbers

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